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LEGAL STANDING OF PASSBOOKS.

Bank's Right to Reverse The Entries.

POSITION OF THE MANAGER.

That a bank passbook constituted in fact a statement of account in the same degree as the entries in the bank's own books was contended by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., when the hearing was resumed, before the Full Court this morning, of an appeal against a decision of Mr. Justice Wood's as to onus of proof with regard to an account of Mr. Chou Po-sien with the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation.

Mr. Potter, for plaintiff, Mr. Chou, continuing his legal argument, said that he would concern himself directly with cases that went to show that the onus of proof was upon the defence, to prove that certain items had been wrongly credited to Mr. Chou's account, and that they were justified in making reverse entries when this fact was discovered.

Counsel contended that it was not possible to affect the legal position at all by a mere reversal of entries. As regards the passbook, it was an account, because it passed from bank to customer and back again. Entries in the book were evidence against the bank, and it was for them to act so as to get away from such evidence. In fact, it was up to the bank to establish a case which would justify the Court in reversing that case to make an order for the return of the money.

Bank's Own Admission. "Our submission," counsel added, "is that the onus is on the bank, once it has admitted on the face of its own account that the credits in question had been received. There is then no scope for alteration of the account. The statement, with the reverse entries, is only Mr. Biggar's own view of what he thinks the position ought to be."

"When the passbook is sent by the bank," counsel continued, "it is in itself prima facie evidence against them. The account was delivered as a result of an order by Mr. Justice Wood. It showed certain items as having been credited. If the need for reversal later can be proved in a Court of Law it is up to the bank to do so."

No Precedent in Law.

"In this case it is clear that both parties acted on the faith of the entries to credit. They were drawn against. But if my friend's argument is correct the credit items can be eliminated without touching the debit entries. We do, however, most strongly emphasise upon Your Lordships that there is no case in law to prove that after a reversal of entries, as in this case, there is any onus upon us to prove the account wrong."

At a later stage Mr. Potter urged that the onus of proof must be upon the person alleging the error, who, he claimed, was the defendant bank. Mr. Biggar had made the cross-entries believing in information supplied him by one of the bank's employees, a cashier, Li Chung-tai, that there had been an erroneous credit.

Issue Arising From Account. Mr. Biggar, by his affidavit supporting the reverse entries, had himself raised a triable issue. It was indeed upon the face of the account that the whole issue was raised at all. It was raised in connection with transactions that the bank alleged took place in the bank's own office.

"We have not to prove the deposits," Mr. Potter claimed, "their own accounts admit them. We do not have to prove that any cash was paid in, even—the entries in the books are evidence sufficient. Mr. Sheldon's submission that we must prove deposits we consider quite untenable. The bank have said that their own entries were wrong; but now they claim that it is up to the plaintiff to establish the fact of deposits."

Final Submissions. Mr. Potter then made his final submissions, which were:—(a) The onus was upon defendants to establish their rights to the money, or to reverse the entries in the account; (b) Actually the reversal of the account by Mr. Biggar was not a statement of ac-

CANADIAN SUBJECT CHARGED.

Stowaway Alleged to Be C.P.R. Ex-Employee.

REMAND ORDERED.

The wanderings of a Canadian subject were related at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when Henry Lee was charged with stowing away from Hong Kong to Rabaul on board the s.s. Bremerhaven.

"I worked for the Canadian Pacific Railway," he said, "but was laid off in October last. With money I had saved I went to Shanghai, and was there two months unable to obtain work. I stowed away to Hong Kong in February, and paid for that trip with a term of imprisonment. When I came out I again looked for work, living on a sum of money that I had banked in Canada, and for which I had cable."

Not Permitted to Land. On finding no prospect of employment here I again stowed away, this time on the Bremerhaven to Rabaul. On arrival there the New Guinea authorities refused to let me land.

On board the ship I worked hard and on arrival back in Hong Kong the Captain did not want to prosecute me. He sent a note to the Superintendent of Police, who happened to be in a bad mood, and persuaded the Captain to prosecute."

Sub-Inspector Elston said that the defendant's story was true up to a point. The Captain did not want to prosecute, but when he was informed that under the Vagrancy Ordinance he was responsible for the man he had no other alternative.

Defendant: "If your Worship will give me the option of a fine I can guarantee that I can work my passage back to Canada. I have a little money, and every prospect of the opportunity to get back to Canada, where I shall be in time to resume my old position. If I go to prison I shall be too late."

A remand of 48 hours in Police custody was allowed to ascertain if the arrangements could be made.

KAMCHATKA STOCK CO. BONDS.

Price to Be Fixed at 33 1/2 Sen to the Rouble?

DISPUTE WITH SOVIET.

Moscow, Yesterday. In reply to the latest proposal of Baron Shidehara in regard to the fixing of the price for bonds of the Kamchatka Stock Company at 33 1/2 sen to a rouble, it is officially stated that the Soviet are doing their utmost to reach a speedy and amicable settlement of the dispute.

In view of the early approach of the fishing season, the Soviet has consented to accept 32 1/2 sen as a provisional price for the bonds, providing both Governments continue the present negotiations for a final fixing of the rouble on the exchange.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI FLIGHT.

Hanoi, Yesterday. Mr. Ford departed for Hong Kong via Fort Bayard.—Reuter.

count at all within the meaning of accounts. It was not a transaction which ever took place between the parties. It was merely Mr. Biggar's own contention as to what he claimed to be entitled to as a result of information he got from one of his own employees; (c) The credit items as shown in the account were clear evidence against the defendant.

Mr. Potter submitted that the judgment of Mr. Justice Wood was a correct one, that the onus of proof was upon the defendant, and that the form of the issue was a correct form.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin then addressed the Court on behalf of plaintiffs. He submitted that even if Mr. Justice Wood's ruling were proved manifestly in error, it could not be reversed unless it could be shown that it had caused substantial injustice to the defendant bank.

The hearing is proceeding.

FREIGHT CHARGES TOO HIGH.

Reduction Needed for Tea and Rubber.

WORST YEAR IN HISTORY.

London, Yesterday. "Ceylon has made a wonderfully successful effort to reduce all the costs of its rubber, but there is one economy they have been unable to effect to the extent desired. They still pay 57/6 per ton for rubber to be shipped from Colombo to London."

Thus Mr. W. Shakespeare, president of the annual general meeting of the Rubber Growers' Association. He emphasised that they had not abandoned hope of getting a reduction of the freight charges both on tea and rubber, "but they would renew their application perhaps more hopefully in the event of the Suez Canal Company meeting the reasonable demands of British importers."

Mr. Shakespeare described 1930 as the worst year in the history of the rubber industry.

They had to face the fact that restriction was practically dead, and must gird themselves to meet the situation.

He expressed the opinion that the potentialities of rubber for roadways were enormous. As regards tea, restriction of which was also dead, he considered that the question of tea propaganda "was by far the most important subject with which the Association was at present dealing."—Reuter.

COMPANY DIVIDEND

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

We are officially informed that the General Agents and Consulting Committee of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., will, at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders to be held on Tuesday, May 19, recommend a final dividend of 32 1/2 together with an "Exchange" Bonus of 10 per share in respect of Working Account for 1929, and 220,000 to the Sterling Reserve Fund, and 332,342.66 to Underwriting Suspense Account; they will further recommend the payment of an Interim Dividend of 18 per share in respect of Working Account for 1930, and that the balance of \$2,361,244.06 be carried forward.

They wish it to be understood, however, that the continuance or otherwise of the aforesaid Bonus, in the whole or in part, will depend entirely on Exchange and it should not be viewed in any other light than that of a temporary measure.

GARAGE THEFT.

CHINESE CHARGED WITH RECEIVING.

Mr. Borandi, of the Lancia Garage, was the complainant before Mr. Williams this morning, in a case in which an employee of the garage named Chan Sum was charged with the larceny and alternatively with unlawful receiving, of 16 pieces of brass fittings, the property of the Lancia Garage.

Defendant pleaded guilty to receiving, and the charge of larceny was automatically withdrawn. Detective-Serg. Flattery informed the Magistrate that a detective was on duty at the marine stalls in Wing Lok Street when he overheard a foki say "I don't want them."

On searching the vendor (defendant) he found the brass concealed on his person. The Sergeant added that there had been much pilfering at the Garage during the past twelve months, but Mr. Borandi had been unable to detect any culprit.

Sentence of one month's hard labour was passed.

AIR-MAILS.

Port Darwin, Yesterday. Commodore Kingsford-Smith has taken off for Koepang with the first Australia-England air mail. From Koepang he will fly to Sourabaya, Singapore, Victoria Point and Rangoon.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S BUDGET

"PROPOSALS MIGHT BE WORSE."

LAND VALUE TAX

TORIES TO OFFER OPPOSITION.

London, Yesterday. The House of Commons adjourned at the conclusion of Mr. Snowden's speech, after Mr. Snowden's Chamberlain and Mr. Lloyd George had congratulated the Chancellor on his great effort.

The former said that some of the proposals of the Budget might be worse, but the others would be strenuously opposed. Mr. Lloyd George said that one thing rejoiced his heart, namely, the proposed land value tax. This was mentioned by Mr. Snowden at the conclusion of his speech as the most important feature of the Budget.

Ministerialists repeatedly and loudly cheered him when he said that he meant to reintroduce the Land Valuation Bill, which pressure of business had prevented him proceeding with last year.

Mr. Snowden said that the experience of Mr. Lloyd George's scheme showed the impracticability of attempting value and tax concurrently, therefore he proposed that the valuation of land be substantially completed before beginning to levy the tax. Therefore, the latter would not operate this year. Valuation would be concluded within two years of the passing of the Finance Bill.

Review of Finances.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, was cordially received when he rose to open the Budget in the first speech he has delivered since his long illness.

The review of income and expenditure and debt operations of the previous year showed that the ordinary revenue amounted to £776,895,000 and the ordinary expenditure to £732,341,000, which was in excess of the estimate by only £532,000, largely as a result of savings on debt interest and management and other items. Nevertheless, after adjustment with the sinking fund, the total shortfall was £23,276,000.

The net result on the past year, said Mr. Snowden, was a surplus applicable to the debt reduction of £43,500,000, and apart from that there was a sum of £9,000,000 received as the proceeds of the German Mobilisation Loan, which had also been attributed to debt reduction outside the Budget. In reality there was a surplus of income over expenditure and it says much for the soundness of the National financial position that, after a year of unparalleled financial depression, we not only have been able to pay our way, but to make such a substantial reduction in the debt.

Fixed Debt Charges.

He announced he was making no direct addition to the fixed debt charges, which would be £365,000,000, as laid down by the Finance Act of 1928. He confidently expected as the outcome of the recommendations of the Economy Committee that considerable reductions in expenditure would be made during the current year to go automatically to the debt reduction. It was also possible during the year that conditions would be favourable for a considerable debt conversion.

Although in favour of every possible effort to reduce the debt he held Mr. Gladstone's view that in times of desperate depression and unemployment it is better to use resources to stimulate trade than to make undue sacrifices.

Inland Revenue.

Mr. Snowden estimated the yield of inland Revenue at £427,000,000, consisting of £248,000,000 from Income-tax; £72,000,000 from surtax; £90,000,000 from death duties; £24,000,000 from stamp duties, and £3,000,000 from remaining items. He hoped that the depression, which upset all expectations, last year, had reached its limits, and that better times were in store, but it would be a little time after the tide had de-

DEATH PENALTY FOR DRUG TAKERS.

Draconian Law to be Passed by Nanking.

INCREASE OF HABIT.

[From Our Own Correspondent.] Kiangmoon, Yesterday. The death penalty is suggested as the remedy for the sale and smoking of heroin pills by Chairman Chan Ming-she, who discovered a large increase in the habit among the people of the Sze Yap districts.

He has urged the Nanking Government to pass a law under which both sellers and heavy smokers shall be liable to execution, and light smokers to sentences varying from 10 to 15 years' imprisonment.

It is understood that the Government intends to pass this new law.

It is turned before the revenue would feel the benefit and he must face the probability of a further decline in Customs and excise revenue, which he estimated at £228,000,000, or a drop of nearly £7,500,000 on last year's revenue.

The consumption of alcoholic liquors fell last year and is estimated for a further fall in revenue this year. This fall seemed to be a permanent tendency and from the point of the Nation's well being was to be heartily welcomed. The estimates of revenue from sources of ordinary revenue amounted to £762,000,000—nearly £2,000,000 above the actual yield of the corresponding item in Estimate last year, although £7,000,000 below the Estimate of last year. An addition of £4,000,000 from the rate relief suspensory fund over the total of £766,000,000 revenue for the current year was recorded.

Supply Services.

On expenditure, supply services accounted for £439,000,000, but he hoped that in view of the appointment of the Economy Committee the actual expenditure would fall considerably below this. Of the fixed debt charge of £345,000,000 he had to allot £302,000,000 as interest and management, leaving £52,100,000 available for the sinking fund.

The total estimated expenditure was £803,360,000, and the estimated revenue £766,000,000.

Before proceeding to take proposals he said that he was taking steps to reintroduce the Finance Bill to enable present holders of Savings Certificates to make an extension of the investment, and power for the loan to meet certain costs.

Tax on Motor Cycles.

In order to encourage the manufacture of a new type of light motor cycle now being rapidly developed on the Continent, he proposed that the annual tax on vehicles not exceeding 100 c.c. capacity should be limited to 15/- instead of the present 30/-. He was proposing a change in the machinery for the collection of Income-tax, which would place the collecting service under a single undivided control, as recommended by the Royal Commission.—British-Wireless Service.

Earlier News.

London, Yesterday. Extraordinary precautions were taken to conceal the time of Mr. Philip Snowden's arrival in London from his Surrey home to make his Budget statement. Groups of people waited in Whitehall and Downing Street to welcome him but were disappointed.

This mystery enhanced the eager anticipation of his appearance in the House of Commons, for which from six o'clock in the morning members were busy securing seats. Hence the Commons was even more crowded than usual on Budget night, when Mr. Snowden, looking well, entered and rose to speak, at 3.38. He was loudly cheered by all parties. The Chancellor began by explaining that the usual financial review of the year was being circulated as a blue paper, as part of his speech.

Mr. Snowden said that the soundness of our financial position was shown by the fact that at the end of a year of unparalleled depression, we were not merely able to pay our way, but to make the substantial contribution of £43,500,000 to debt reduction; consequently, he did not propose to pursue the scheme whereby provision would have been made to cover the 1929 deficit in this and next year's accounts.

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LONDON BOOKMAKER GETS JUDGMENT.

Sequel to Irish Grand National Sweep.

AWARDED £266,043.

London, Yesterday. The Dublin High Court has ordered the payment of £266,043 to Mr. Arthur Bendir, a London bookmaker, being three-quarters of the sum won by Scala in the Irish Grand National sweep.

Mr. Bendir's counsel, in making the application, asked for payment without prejudice on any question arising in the action between other parties, and suggested that if necessary Mr. Bendir should be added as the defendant in a future trial.

The order was made with the consent of all parties and the remaining quarter of the sum will be invested pending the result of the action against Scala.—Reuter.

[A message of April 13 stated:—The Judge of the Dublin High Court has ordered Emilio Scala's Irish Hospitals Grand National Sweepstakes winnings to be invested pending the hearing of the action against Scala by two London Italians, Epicella and Constantino, who claim a share of the winnings under an agreement.]

PRINCES IN FRANCE

AIR LINER LANDS AT LE BOURGET.

SPECIAL MISSION.

Le Bourget, Yesterday. The air liner City of Glasgow, sent specially from London to Pointe Grave, landed with the Prince of Wales and Prince George at 6.10 p.m.—Reuter.

Earlier News.

Pointe Grave, Gironde, Yesterday. The Prince of Wales and Prince George have landed here. From early morning this little river-mouth port had been galvanised into unwonted activity in preparation for the arrival of the cruiser Kent, which pulled up at 11.10 a mile from the landing stage.

An official party boarded the cruiser and welcomed the Princes before the latter landed to a booming salute from the Kent's guns.—Reuter.

UNBEATABLE DON.

GAR WOOD FAILS TO SET UP NEW RECORD.

ENGINE TROUBLE.

Miami Beach, Yesterday. The persistent Gar Wood made another attempt to beat Kaye Don's speed record of 108.49 miles an hour, but he averaged only 101.66.

Engine trouble developed after the third run.—Reuter's American Service.

ITALIAN EXPORTS.

Rome, Yesterday. A new Italy-Russian agreement has been signed, providing for Italian exports to Russia this year valued at 350,000,000 lire.—Reuter.

GLIDER'S RECORD.

Cassel, Yesterday. The aviator Henschel has broken all the German glider records by remaining in the air for 11 hours and one minute.—Reuter.

RAIN LATER.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:—The Chinese depression has moved into the Sea of Japan. The Indo-China depression is stationary.

Forecast: E. winds; moderate; fair at first; some rain later.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day—nil. Rainfall since January 1—12.98 inches against an average of 11.14 inches—surplus 1.84 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong 74
Macao 74
Pratas Island 79
Manila 76
Fochow 72
Amoy 75
Chefoo 48
Shanghai 69

INDIAN AIR FORCE

TO BE INSTITUTED IN NEAR FUTURE.

DISTINCT FROM ARMY.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons at question time to-day, Mr. Wedgwood Benn, Secretary for India, foreshadowed the institution of a new Indian air force before long, and said that he was now working out the details in consultation with the Air Minister and the Government of India.

The new force would be distinct from the Indian Army.—Reuter.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST BLASPHEMY.

Anti-Religious Feeling in Holland.

HEAVY PENALTIES.

The Hague, Yesterday. Owing to the growth of the anti-religious campaign in Holland, the Government has introduced a Bill in the Second Chamber inserting clauses in the penal code providing punishment for anyone found guilty of offending religious sentiment by the utterance of contemptuous blasphemy in a public place, or the exhibition of blasphemous writings or emblems.—Reuter.

NEW GOVERNOR.

SIR JAMES O'GRADY APPOINTED TO FALKLAND ISLES.

NEGOTIATED WITH SOVIET.

London, Yesterday. It is officially announced that Sir James O'Grady, K.C.M.G., formerly Governor of Tasmania since 1924, has been appointed Governor of the Falkland Islands in succession to Mr. A. W. Hodson, C.M.G.—Reuter.

[Sir James O'Grady was born in Bristol in 1866 and educated at St. Mary's Roman Catholic School. He was elected a member of the Town Council in 1897 and was President of the Trades Congress of Bristol in 1898, whilst he was formerly Secretary of the National Federation of General Workers. In the Spring of 1917 he was sent by the Government as special representative to Russia, on a special mission, and later met a representative of the Russian Government at Copenhagen to negotiate the exchange of British prisoners of war and the repatriation of all British civilians at that time in Soviet Russia. He represented East Leeds in Parliament in 1906 and S.E. Leeds from 1918-24.]

SOVIET TIMBER.

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HAVANA AS DIVORCE RESORT.

Easiest Way to Domestic Freedom.

APPEAL TO AMERICANS.

The path toward easy divorces, which for a decade has led to Paris, Reno and Mexico, has another turning leading to Cuba, where now sixteen causes are allowed. The old law hardly allowed legal separation and consequently it virtually abolished divorce suits for that reason. In the old law there was the unmistakable stamp of church dictation.

Sponsors of the law which went into effect last year indicated that it was this situation that they sought to change. After Spanish rule in Cuba ended and the republic was proclaimed there was an immediate movement to abolish the old law, barristers say. That it was too early to attempt so radical a step is now self-evident. Opponents fought it down on each attempt with the result that its passage did not succeed in passing a new law until 40 years later.

The divorce law was expected especially to appeal to citizens of the United States. According to attorneys who have made a special study of it, Americans need only be present in Havana long enough to have a transcription made of their marriage certificate and to grant power of attorney to their counsel. According to one of the leading divorce lawyers of Havana, when this is accomplished, the attorney petitions the court of first instance which reviews the evidence and recommends the case be heard before the Audiencia tribunal, which corresponds in Cuba to a Superior Court in the United States. The attorney is empowered to present the testimony. He needs only to assure the court that the plaintiff intends establishing legal residence in Cuba. This is sufficient. The plaintiff may stop at an hotel for two weeks, then return home simply to await the process of law.

The plaintiff may choose the specific grounds or basis for the action if he or she chooses. But even this is not essential in Cuba. The attorney, in the last analysis, will follow the simplest and easiest route to freedom, it is pointed out. Grounds for Divorce.

The present law grants a divorce when one or both parties are guilty of cruelty, habitual drunkenness, cruelty to children, non-support, desertion, mental cruelty, habitual gambling and incompatibility. All, of course, are flexible. The charge need not have originated in Cuba, it is said, and Americans are not required to live on the island for any considerable length of time.

It is necessary for plaintiff or defendant to make court appearances only when both parties make a joint application for divorce on ground of mutual consent. In this case the court requires both parties to request the divorce. They are required to make three appearances at intervals of six months each, which means that, under this plan, dissolution of marriage requires one year.

Other Easy Ways.

Although this is obviously an easy way to obtain a decree, it is not as rapid as other available methods. The attorneys now specializing in divorce—and their ranks are swelling—assert that divorce can be obtained through court procedure in approximately four months.

Sentiment in Cuba, where there still are some who doubt the wisdom of such a liberal law, is divided. Under the existing conditions the churches have not expressed an opinion. In Cuba, where the church once virtually drew the boundaries, a religious marriage ceremony is illegal unless it is performed also by civil authorities. From this one may see that Cuba is hewing to the line in its separation of Church and State policy.

One group there is fostering a movement to grant every possible facility to the divorce-seeking foreigner. It would establish a standing committee on information through the Bar Association, shorten the time required to make the preliminary action, and ultimately abolish personal appearance of the couple who apply jointly for divorce under the mutual consent clause. This group is made up of English-speaking lawyers, some of whom campaigned for the new law. They expect soon to urge Dr. Rafael Guas Inclan, President of Congress, to petition the President to make such amendments and provide all consulates and embassies with complete information on divorce in Cuba.

Cuba's new law may become something of a boon to persons in such States as New York, where divorce is obtained only after one or both parties have shown scandalous behaviour. A check of the recent inquiries at the Cuban

BRITISH LEGION AND HAIG STATUE.

Plea for Something "More Pleasing."

HORSE OPTIONAL.

Major J. B. B. Cohen, the legless M.P. for the Fairfield Division of Liverpool, who is Hon. Treasurer of the British Legion, suggested at a meeting of the South Eastern Area Council of the Legion at Westminster that neither of Mr. A. F. Hardiman's two designs for a statue of Earl Haig should be accepted, and that the commission should be put to open competition. "In some ways the second model is better than the first; in some ways worse," said Major Cohen. "It is worse in this way—the first statue, I believe, never pretended to portray the figure of a horse. I think the sculptor had some allegorical idea."

"But the second looks so much like a horse that you realise what it is, and that it is not like a horse that anyone of us has ever used."

Race Pleasing.

"The face of Earl Haig himself is quite pleasing, although it makes him look thirty years younger than he was."

"To my mind—and to the minds of most people who have seen it—the sculptor has not delivered the goods."

"I am wondering whether the best thing that could possibly be done—I am not saying this discourteously—would be to pay the bill to this artist, and to put the statue out to open competition throughout the country, to see if we could not get something better and more pleasing. (Applause.)"

"I don't know that the statue should necessarily be an equestrian one. It might be one of him standing up with his hands behind his back, as we so often saw him, or it might be one of him sitting at a desk."

The chairman (Col. C. F. Grant-ham) recalled that he commanded a native cavalry regiment in India at the time when Lord Haig was Inspector-General of Horse.

"It was my duty to buy horses," he said, "and if I had dared to buy any like these two, or had shown him a man sitting on a horse like these two things, I should have been kicked out of my job by Lord Haig." (Laughter.)

Resolution.

It was stated that the following resolution would be put to the conference later:—

"That this conference is of the opinion that neither of the suggested statues of Lord Haig submitted by Mr. Hardiman represent the Field Marshal as he was known to all who served under him."

They suggest that neither be accepted, and that the commission should be put to open competition throughout the country with no restriction as to the statue being equestrian or otherwise."

HIDING BOY BURNT.

FRIGHTENED WHEN FIRE BROKE OUT IN HOUSE.

A four-year-old boy, Percy Frederick Shearman, was killed in a fire which destroyed his home in Montgomery Street, Hove, recently.

His mother escaped with minor burns but a lodger, Mrs. Dorothy Armstrong, aged 42, was trapped in an upper bedroom and was badly burned before firemen rescued her with ladders.

The firemen then forced their way to the kitchen, but no trace of the boy could be seen.

Eventually he was found hidden under the bed in a front bedroom. The mattress and bedclothes were burning furiously, but the boy was untouched. Death was from suffocation.

Mrs. Shearman was washing clothes in an out-house when she saw smoke coming from the kitchen where her boy had been playing. She tried to reach the kitchen, but was driven back by the flames. She said:

"I broke the kitchen window to try to get Percy. My hand was cut and my arms were burned. I could not get into the room."

"The boy must have become frightened when the fire began and ran upstairs to hide under the bed. My two other children were both at school at the time."

Embassy in Washington revealed that 40 per cent. of the requests for information came from residents of New York State.

Another angle that is said to have interested Americans is the low attorney's fee mentioned by the alphas of legal men who are specializing in such cases. Their fee, they say, is approximately \$300. "Unless there are circumstances to necessitate a higher charge."



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INDIA IS BECOMING AIR-MINDED.

Flying Clubs and Their Good Record.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the Aero Club of India, and Burma Mr. H. A. Samp, who presided, said:—

"We can, I think, congratulate ourselves on the work carried out during the year. Two new clubs

were formed, one in the Punjab and another in Madras. Ninety-three pilots were trained during the year and over 7,500 hours were flown, making a total of 11,500 hours since flying training commenced in January, 1929. From the number of inquiries we get it is evident that the desire of Indians to take to the air is steadily gaining ground."

Three flights were made by Indian pilots between Britain and India and a great deal of cross-country flying is being carried out by club members in their own aeroplanes. Seventeen members of

clubs own their own aeroplanes, most of which were purchased during 1930. This is a very promising sign as one of the objects of the Aero Club is to encourage pilots to take up flying purely from the sporting point of view. There was a marked increase during the year in the desire of people in India to take up flying from the sporting point of view, and a number of pupils approached the Club with a view to being trained as professional pilots, largely with the idea of securing employment eventually in the Indian State Air

Service and also to be trained as ground engineers.

"His Highness the Maharaja of Jodhpur is now being trained by the Delhi Flying Club and is showing great promise of making a very good pilot. We hope other Ruling Princes will follow his example."

The Manitoba Agricultural College is planning to hold short courses for farmers and at present has arranged for two courses to commence in March, one in the Teulon and one in the Dauphin districts.

Nearly 100,000 tractors have been sold in Western Canada in the past twelve years, and of this total, more than half went to farmers in Saskatchewan, according to the latest estimates. In three years more than 5,000 threshers have been sold in Saskatchewan, half the total for all Western Canada. In the past five years, Saskatchewan farmers have purchased 6,000 combines and the total for the West in that period was 9,000. Out of the 2,046 threshers sold in the West in 1930, 826 were bought in Saskatchewan.

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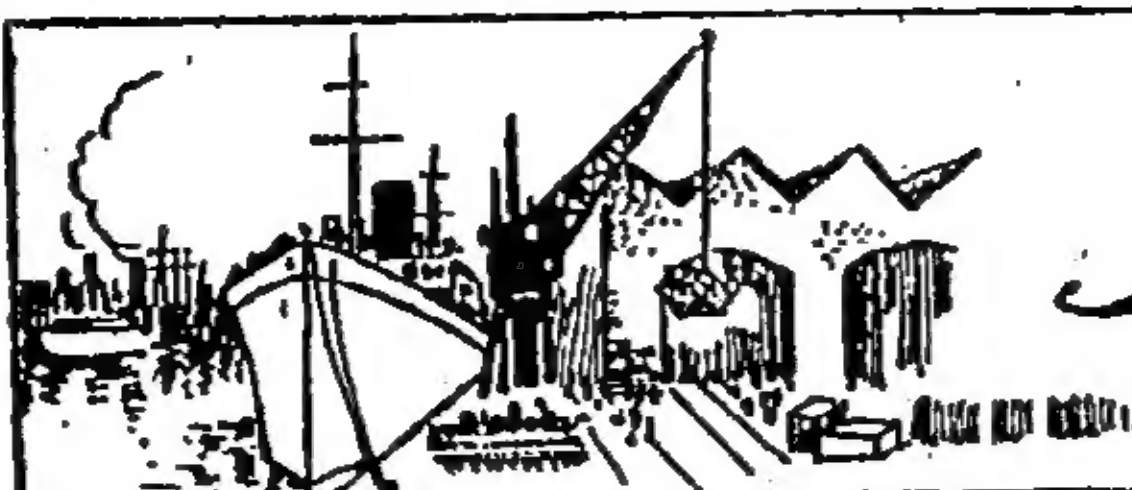
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SAILS COME TO LONDON.

A Royal Yacht in the Thames.

With no part of the history of sail has the connection of London River been stronger than with yachts and yachting, writes Boyd Cable in the Evening News. The first yacht seen in British waters came to London from abroad, the first British yacht was built in a Thames yard, the first pleasure yachting was up and down the river from above London Bridge to the North Foreland, the first yacht race was sailed between Greenwich and Gravesend, and the Royal Thames Yacht Club was (under other names) the first instituted in Britain.

The tale goes back to the days before the Restoration in 1660, when Charles II. was an exile on the Continent and spent some time in Holland and the Low Countries.

He saw there plenty of the new craft that the Dutch had been developing for long enough as suitable to their needs—shallow-draught, roomy boats partly fore-and-aft, partly square rigged, able to move freely in their narrow and twisting waterways. In the prosperous times that followed the new pursuit of the herring fishing industry in Holland, and the huge profits made by the Dutch East India Company, this handily rigged craft began to evolve as a comfortable floating home as well as a quick and easy means of transport for business or pleasure.

Fit for a King.
The wealthy Dutch-India merchants, the herring curers, and the Admiralty officials paid liberally for the time, material, skill and labour which would produce the fastest, handiest, roomiest, and most comfortable boats; and by the time Charles saw the best of them they had reached a stage of comfort quite unknown to those who normally made what sea travel they could not avoid in cramped, dank, wet, odoriferous, miserably uncomfortable vessels. He would have found, too, that the wealthy merchants and officials would not only go sailing the inland seas and coastal waters for pleasure as well as business, but would take their wives with them.

Charles was at Breda when he received the recall to his throne, and he immediately had placed at his disposal for the passage to Rotterdam one of the finest and most luxurious of these boats owned by the Dutch Admiralty.

Beautiful Mary.
He was so impressed with her handiness and roomy comfort that he expressed his admiration in the warmest terms, and declared his intention of sending over an order from England for one to be built for him.

A city official, perhaps with a far-seeing eye on the possibility of further orders coming to his town, promptly offered to present one to Charles, and a few months later delivered the Mary to him in the Thames. She had been specially gilt, carved, decorated, and furnished, and was one of the best specimens turned out by the Dutch East India Company. She was the first "yacht" to sail in British waters.

The name "yacht" came from the German and Danish "jagen" and "jage," meaning to chase or hunt, and the old Dutch "jacht" which was so easily convertible to "yacht" or "jacht-schip" probably meant a vessel having the speed and ability to turn quickly in any direction necessary to the chase, rather than its use for chasing; although the further word "advys-jacht" might either mean "despatch boat" or "despatch-chaser." But yacht being a new name for a boat entirely new to Britain, name and boat were adopted together.

Centre of Attraction.
Interest in the novel craft was naturally increased when Charles promptly proceeded to inspect and then to make regular use of her. While she lay at Deptford and Greenwich she was a centre of attraction for all who were connected with ships and seafaring—which meant a good many, since the river was then the centre of ship-building and the sailing port of the East India Company's fleets. Company and Admiralty officials, and many of the Court who followed the lead of the King, went to see and admire the Mary, and Mr. Pepys duly recorded his visit and favourable impressions.

But the Dutch were not to profit by orders for the new yachts, because within a year a Thames-built one was sailing the river, and proving herself a better craft than the Mary. The aristocracy began to order similar boats, and the Navy likewise built and added a number to the fleet, piercing both sides for guns and arming them stoutly.

The Duke of York quickly had one built for his own use, and the King and he started the fashion of racing, which was quickly taken up by the Queen, the Duke and Duchess of Richmond, Pepys, Evelyn, and others of the Court.

The King and his brother, York, racing their new boats in a Greenwich—Gravesend match for a hundred-guinea wager, which the King barely won, had "divers lords and noble persons" on board, and both Royal owners took the helm over part of the course. The two were no mere fair-weather sailors, and once, being caught in a blow off the North Foreland, "the King and Duke of York, were necessitated, in order to preserve the vessel, to hand the sails like common seamen."

The Mary was a 100-tonner of 52-foot length and 19-foot beam, and her rig was fore-and-aft mainsail and staysail, and jib set on a bowsprit run out to take it. Another and even more beamy yacht of Charles's he called Fubbs, either in compliment or jest of "Fubby," a notorious Court lady "favourite" of his who was distinctly "broad" in the beam.

A Van Tromp Relic.
The Duke of Cumberland founded the first yacht club in Britain as "The Cumberland Fleet," which, after various changes of name, is now the Royal Thames Yacht Club. An early print of some of the "Fleet" shows one vessel with a huge top-sail set above another big square sail, close before the one mast and for and aft masts; and jib set. Others have the mainsail brailled in to the mast like a present-day Thames barge. All fly the long "coach-whip pennant" of the Navy, indicating a recognition of the semi-naval and Royal standing.

The pennant was a relic of the challenge of Van Tromp who carried a broom at the mast-head as a sign that he would sweep the

English from the seas, and the British retort of a "coach whip" to scourge the broom-wielder.

We may smile now at the apple checked bows, the high ornamental sterns, and clumsy rig of the Mary; but all the yachts and yacht-racing now the world over originated from that first "jacht" brought to London, and her spirited racing up and down the river, nearly 300 years ago.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—

Bruce—West wall.
Hermes—In Dock.
Medway—No. 2 buoy.
Moorhen—North wall.
Odin—East wall.
Otus—East wall.
Osiris—No. 2 buoy.
Oswald—No. 2 buoy.
Poseidon—No. 2 buoy.
Perseus—No. 2 buoy.
Seamew—North wall.
Somme—South wall.
Sandwich—South wall.
Sirdar—West wall.
Tamar—Basin.
Tarantula—North wall.
Thracian—West wall.
Vindictive—North arm.
Foreign Men-of-War.
Argus—French gunboat.
Adamastor—Portuguese cruiser.
Helena—American gunboat.

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Straits		Cremer
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Japan		Nellore
Japan and Shanghai	FRIDAY, MAY 1.	Terukuni Maru
London Parcels (London, March 26) and		Sarpedon
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couver, B.C., April 12)		Katori Maru
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THURSDAY, APRIL 24.			
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Empress of Asia	July 31	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 8	Aug. 10	Aug. 17
Empress of Canada	Aug. 15	Aug. 18	Aug. 20	Aug. 22	Aug. 24	Aug. 30
Empress of Russia	Aug. 28	Aug. 31	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	Sept. 7	Sept. 14
Empress of Japan	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 17	Sept. 19	Sept. 21	Sept. 27
Empress of Asia	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 3	Oct. 5	Oct. 12
Empress of Canada	Oct. 10	Oct. 13	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 19	Oct. 25
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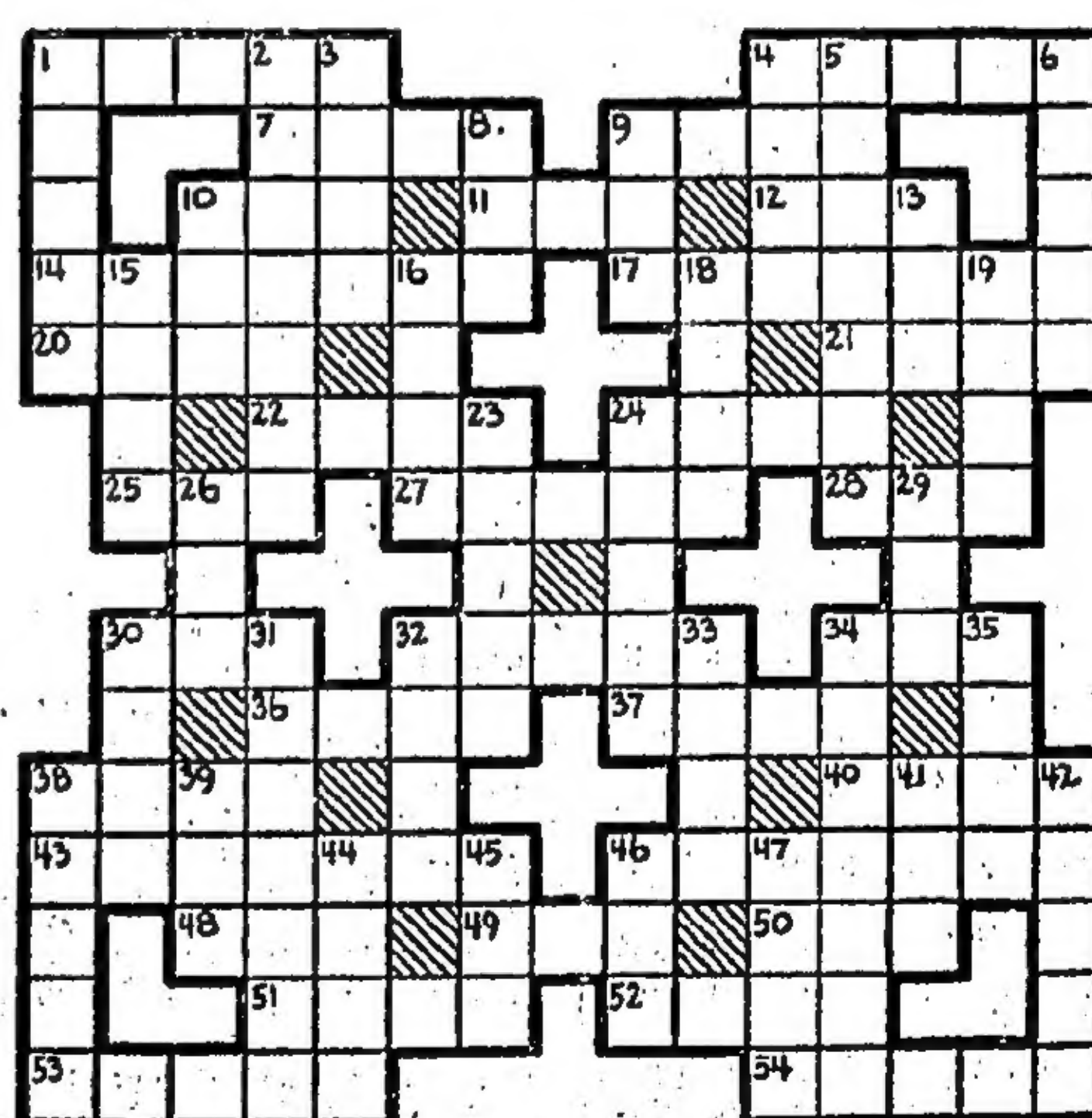
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but
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spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL	HORIZONTAL (Cont.)	VERTICAL (Cont.)
1-To go into water	43-Classifies	15-To repair
4-Impelled by silence	46-A maker of arms	16-Organ of hearing
7-Large lake	48-A female sheep	18-Urged to action
8-Entrance	49-Propeller	19-Let fall
10-The cry of a sheep	50-Writing fluid	22-The nostrils
11-A religious woman	51-English college	24-Birthplace of Apollo
12-Greek letter	52-Uniform	26-A small lizard
14-Standing above and out of water	53-Plants	28-Graze
(Bot.)	54-An American composer	30-Greek god of war
17-Blender		31-Gave a dowry to a
20-A small depression	VERTICAL	32-To string on a stick
21-A planet	1-Having two feet	33-Resound
22-Gain	2-To give courage	34-A wooded plateau in E. France
24-An abyss	3-Time period (pl.)	35-Comfort
26-A low haunt	4-To pile up in successive layers	36-Pluto (Gr. Myth.)
27-Satisfied	5-Try	38-Point of compass (abbr.)
28-Summit	6-A ringlet of human hair	41-Noah's ship
30-Greek goddess of mischief	8-Terminate	42-Dress with the back E. France
32-Sir (Sp.)	9-Incise	44-Clopes, as flag
34-Beverage	10-Masculine name (shift)	46-A male descendant
36-Short sleep (pl.)	12-Automobile Association (abbr.)	48-Metric land
37-Plat through the air		49-Manner
38-Mind		
40-To utter brokenly and painfully		

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in
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RAJPUTANA	16,568	17th	July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	7,754	30th	July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KARMALA	9,128	31st	July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NANKIN	7,058	1st	Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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Fairfield Shipbuilding and En-
gineering Co., Ltd., of Govan,
has been acclaimed "The Ship of
the Year" for 1930. Launched in
August last this mammoth vessel
has gross tonnage of 23,032 tons.
The overall length is 666 feet by
87 feet 9 inches wide at prome-
nade deck. A service speed of 21
knots was the aim of the design-
ers, with a 23-knot trial speed,
and this, we believe, has surpass-
ed all expectations.

A large number of electric
fittings were manufactured by
The General Electric Co., Ltd.,
London, in conjunction with
Messrs. Stanes and Jones, the
architects, and manufactured at
the Magnet Works, Birmingham.
Apart from other fittings
Georay floodlights play an im-
portant part in the lighting of
this ship. In all there are about
sixty of these and they are used
for various purposes, such as
flooding the port starboard and
foyer windows, etc., very effec-
tively.

The control of the fittings and
bells and all other electrical ac-
cessories in the cabins is effected
from one combination unit em-
bodying all switches and pushes
under one common plate. The
cabin call bell system is of the
luminous lamp pattern, the sys-
tem consists of units with red or
green lights outside each cabin
door, and further units in the
alleyways with sectional indica-
tors for the stewards. These
lights, once they are put into
operation by the pressing of ap-
propriate buttons within the
cabin, continue to function until
they are cancelled by means of
the re-setting device on the out-
side of each cabin door.

A few notes relative to the
comprehensive fire alarm system
installed throughout the ship are
of interest. This system is of
G.E.C. design throughout, and
two types are employed. One is
manual operated by the breaking
of a glass, and the operation of a
push, the other installed in the
baggage rooms being automatic
and operated by means of ther-
mostatic controls. Each system
indicates on a luminous indicator
to the officer of the watch, and in
the case of the manual type, tele-
phonic communication can be
established from the push origin-
ating the alarm to the bridge by
means of telephone hand com-
bination outfits which are kept in
the fire alarm indicator for this
purpose. These can be plugged into
a jack incorporated in each
push.

It will thus be gathered that
the lighting and allied equipment
throughout the ship has been de-
signed on very elaborate and ef-
ficient lines, and since over 14,000
Osram lamps are employed in the
scheme it is easy of realisation
that "The Ship of the Year" of
1930 is lighted throughout in a
very effective manner.

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PEDIGREE.

One of the two new destroyers
of "D" class which are being
built to Admiralty design by
Messrs. John I. Thornycroft &
Co., Limited, at Southampton,
has been allotted the name of
Daring. It is of interest to note
that this is the third destroyer to
be built by Thornycrofts to
bear this name, a fact which em-
phasizes the long connection of
this firm with Admiralty con-
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Chiswick, in 1892 the vessel be-
ing fitted with reciprocating 4-
cylinder engines of the "V" type
(designed by the late Sir John I.
Thornycroft), and was the first
British destroyer to be equipped
with water tube boilers, with
which Thornycrofts had already
had considerable experience, hav-
ing built them (chiefly for for-
eign Governments) for seven or
eight years previously.

The machinery proved itself
very reliable and was capable of
developing even more power than
that for which it was designed.
One of the points of greatest
interest which arose during the
trials of the first Daring was in
connection with the propellers.
The early trials did not quite give
the results expected, and the
late Mr. S. W. Barnaby found
that the difficulty was due to the
phenomenon which he termed
"cavitation," this being the first
time it had occurred in acute
form.

The difficulty was got over by
increasing the area of the propel-
lers and reducing the pressure
per square inch due to thrust.

Some useful experiments were
made later on this phenomenon
by the late Sir Charles Parsons.
Incidentally it was the trials of
the Daring which led to the gen-
eral introduction of solid cast
bronze propellers, because on one
of the trials of the Daring all the
blades (secured by dovetail and
key) were broken off, but the en-
gine stopped owing to the shear-
ing of a cotter in the high pres-
sure slide valve spindle, and but
little damage was done.

The vessel eventually attained
on official trial a speed of 27.7
knots as against the contract 27
knots.

Their second destroyer Daring
was ordered in 1912, and was
fast nearing completion at the
outbreak of the war. Then, be-
fore the vessel was actually com-
missioned for service, she was re-
named Lance, and subsequently
had the distinction of firing the
first naval shot in the war, sink-
ing the Mine Layer Konigen
Luise in the mouth of the
Thames. This early success
seems to prove that a change of
name does not make an unlucky
ship.

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TAIPING	May 12	May 19	May 22	June 7
CHANGTE	May 19	May 26	June 2	June 14
TAIPING	May 26	June 2	June 5	June 21
CHANGTE	June 2	June 9	June 12	June 28

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Sunday, April 26.
Achilles, British str., 7,184 tons,
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pore, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.
Dorcy, German str., 1,083 tons,
Capt. J. Bruhn, from Swatow,
buoy No. B19.—Chau Yue
Teng.
Tchekam Chinese str., 806 tons,
Capt. Lal Yee, from Pakhoi,
buoy No. C4.—Woo On & Co.

Monday, April 27.
Bueland, Norwegian str., 2,299 tons,
Captain Brekke, from Dalren,
buoy No. B25.—Wallem & Co.
Chenan, British str., 1,355 tons,
Capt. J. Newton, from Canton,
Taikoo Dock.—B. & S.
Duisburg, German str., 4,375 tons,
Capt. Eckhorn, from Manila,
buoy No. A2.—Jeeben & Co.
Hermos, Norwegian str., 840 tons,
Capt. C. Andersen, from Bang-
kok, buoy No. B17.—Thoresen
& Co.

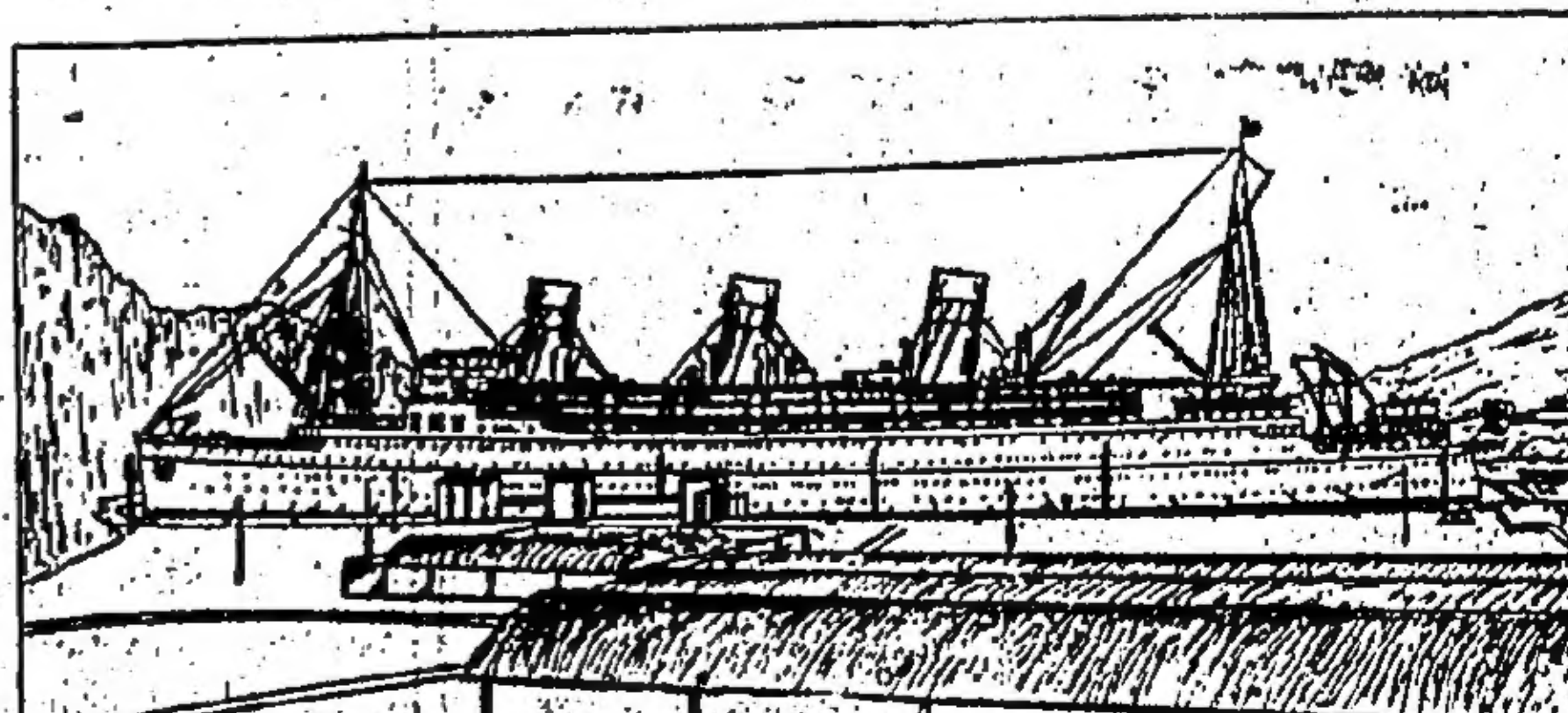
Mausang, British str., 2,063 tons,
Captain G. F. Matthews, from
Sandakan, buoy No. B22.—
J. M. & Co.
President Grant, American str.,
14,200 tons, Capt. W. A. Rues,
from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.
—Dollar S.S. Line.
Shun Chih, Chinese str., 1,251 tons,
Capt. T. Thorbjornsen, from
Saigon, buoy No. C6.—Chang
Tong Ha.
Sphinx, French str., 5,724 tons,
Capt. Saccone, from Saigon,
buoy No. A1.—M. M.
Suiyang, British str., 1,564 tons,
Capt. J. Byrne, from Canton,
buoy No. B15.—B. & S.
Yuan Lee, Chinese str., 1,661 tons,
Capt. A. Kraukle, from Swa-
tow, buoy No. B8.—Yuen Seng
Fat.

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mean time of the meridian of 120
deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is
noon. The heights are referred to
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miralty chart of the place and
should be added to the depths given
on the chart unless preceded by an
asterisk (*), when they should be
subtracted from the depths.

April 28 to May 4, 1931.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
April	Standard Time	Standard Time
Tue 28	11 M 7.30 15.0	11 M 4.3 15.0
Wed 29	10.55 14.25 0.15	10.55 4.0 14.10
Thurs 30	10.40 13.55 0.10	10.40 3.45 14.0
Fri 1	10.25 13.40 0.05	10.25 3.30 13.55
Sat 2	10.10 13.25 0.00	10.10 3.15 13.40
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CHILDREN'S FILM DAY

The enormous interest evinced by juveniles in the screening of "Tom Sawyer" Mark Twain's masterly presentation of childish humour in all its varied phases, reminds us of something we intended to do long ago—make a special plea to the managements of cinemas to set one day apart once a week, once a fortnight, or even once a month specially for children. On numerous occasions have short films been shown—in support of the features—admirably adapted for the younger generation; but nothing has been known of these until their actual screening. Then, it was too late to acquaint the kiddies through the medium of this newspaper, or, more likely still, the feature Talkie was not one exactly suitable for tiny folk to "see and hear."

It may be difficult to arrange an all-children's programme often under present circumstances—certainly difficult for one cinema alone—but that is no good reason why, for the sake of the children, the combined managements should not co-operate in this direction in the future. To-day the children's appetite for children's pictures is literally starved. It is rare that a Talkie such as "Tom Sawyer" is screened locally. But there is our Gang, that bunch of laughter makers whom all the children simply love. There is "Felix the Cat" and there are other juvenile features, small in themselves it is true, that should always be more or less at the command of the cinema manage-

ments when required for a Children's Film Day. The various news reels in themselves form valuable educational and instructive films for children of school age: what they see on a picture they seldom forget. Thus are they assisted in their history and in their geography as well as in a knowledge of what the world is doing and talking about to-day.

There is absolutely no limit to the possibilities for good in regard to a Children's Film Day. The managements could rely on the wholehearted support of the Education Board, the various scholastic institutions, and the Press. They would in time educate the young mind to appreciate the best in the film world and to be able to distinguish between what is proper and what is otherwise even in films intended for grown-up folk.

It might be possible in the course of time to institute a regular Children's Pleasant Saturday (or Sunday) Afternoon by providing one hour of children's films every week. Rotary aims at community service. Here is one direction in which it might join hands with cinema managements in catering more for the younger generation than at present. Here is also a chance for the Girl Guides and the Boy Scouts to perform that "one good deed" a week by their presence and assistance at a Children's Film Day. Indeed, there is not one section of the community that cannot help, always provided the initial step is taken by the respective cinema managements, individually or collectively.

Why concentrate on the children's welfare only once a year—Christmas— and ignore their existence (or tolerate them as "little nuisances") during the remainder of the twelve months, heedless whether the films that they will go and "see and hear" are fit and proper for any but adults?

Why spend thousands of dollars per annum on education, only to see much of that undone by things they see and hear in cinema merely because nobody thinks it worth while to cater specially for them?

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 71° degrees. The humidity was 86 at 10 a.m. and 90 at 4 p.m.

At a meeting of the Court of the University yesterday, H.E. the Governor presided. The Vice-Chancellor, Sir William Hornell, with the officers present, conferred on him the title of Knight Bachelor.

A Chinese married woman was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday from 47 Reclamation Street suffering from the effects of opium poisoning. It is alleged that she took the drug in an attempt to end her life.

At the Kowloon Police Court this morning, Chan Shing, a mess boy, employed in the "B" Company Mess, of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders at Shamshui Barracks, was convicted on a charge of stealing five pounds of butter from the Mess. He was ordered to receive twelve strokes.

The Mohammedan festival of Id-uz-Zuha will be celebrated tomorrow. Divine service will be held in the Hong Kong Mosque at 9 a.m. sharp. Heads of Government Departments and private firms are requested to grant a holiday to their Mohammedan employees.

Mr. W. R. Hawes, ground instructor at the Flying Club, was censured for driving without a licence by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the inquiry which was held in Kowloon yesterday, on the body of Lo Kong, a Chinese, aged 71, who was killed by being knocked down by a car driven by Mr. Hawes on the Salkung Road, on April 25.

Yu Sam, of 9 Pottinger Street, has reported to the Police that on April 20 he arranged with a friend, who claimed to be a fook of the Yuet Tung Boarding House, 151 Connaught Road Central, to buy three steamship tickets for Singapore. Yu is stated to have handed over \$105, and his "friend" has since absconded.

Three Chinese were charged at the Kowloon Police Court this morning with having unlawful possession of a quantity of pine-tree branches. One of the accused had a previous conviction for trespassing on Crown land, and was fined \$25 or one month's imprisonment, while the other two were fined \$10 or fourteen days. A fine of \$5, or in default a week's imprisonment, was imposed on Wong Yau for a similar offence.

BRITAIN'S BUDGET.

(Continued from page 1.)

He foreshadowed considerable debt conversion operations, and said provision would be made to cover a considerable part of last year's deficit of £23,270,000 from ordinary sources.

He estimated that the 1931-32 revenue on the existing basis of taxation would be £766,000,000, and the expenditure £803,000,000. There would be no revenue tariff and the deficit would be met by non-recurrent revenue and temporary expedients. In view of trade recovery prospects, the income tax would not be increased.

However, 75 per cent. would be payable on January 1 and 25 per cent. on July 1, instead of two equal instalments as at present. This would bring an extra quarter's revenue, namely £10,000,000, into the 1931-32 revenue.

The petrol tax would immediately be increased from fourpence to sixpence a gallon; and this would produce £7,500,000 this year.

A sum of £20,000,000 would be appropriated out of £33,000,000 in the dollar exchange account (which was formerly created in New York to balance sharp fluctuations in exchange, but is no longer necessary). The special tax on motor-cycles not exceeding 150 centimetres would be reduced from 30 shillings to 15 shillings.

The balance sheet for the year would therefore be:

Revenue, £803,500,000.

Expenditure, £803,866,000.

Mr. Snowden appealed for co-operation and the elimination of unnecessary expenditure, in order to avoid additional heavy taxation.

He proceeded to announce the initiation of a scheme of taxation of land values, which when it became operative, not, however, this year, would be at the rate of a penny per pound sterling on capital land value. The Finance Bill would provide that valuation be concluded within two years.

The Chancellor spoke for sixty-nine minutes.—Reuter.

"MAN WITH AN AXE." WOULD BE ASSASSIN SENT TO JAIL. EGYPTIAN PLOT.

Cairo, Yesterday. The so-called "man with an axe," Mohamed Taher, arrested in connection with a plot against Sidky Pasha has been sentenced to seven years' imprisonment.—Reuter.

ROYAL BEREAVEMENT.

Paris, Yesterday. Prince Chandaburi, former Siamese Minister of Finance, and a brother of the King of Siam, has died here.—Havas.

EXTRALITY.

FURTHER QUESTIONS IN THE COMMONS.

NOTHING FRESH.

London, Yesterday. Replying to questions in the House of Commons, Mr. Arthur Henderson said that the extrality negotiations were still proceeding, as he informed the House last week.

He was not prepared at present to make any further statement on the instructions sent to Sir Miles Lampson. His Majesty's Government had fully considered the report of the Commission on extrality.

He added that negotiations were also being carried on by representatives of the United States, Japan and France. He was not in a position to give details.

Mr. Godfrey Locker Lampson asked whether the definite decision about Shanghai should be postponed until Judge Feetham's report had been carefully considered, and Mr. Henderson replied that he had seen the report, which would be kept in mind.

Mr. Wardlaw Milne urged that no decision should be reached until Britain was in agreement with the other interested Governments. Mr. Henderson declined definitely to commit himself, while he said he was prepared to consider the views of the other Governments.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S CENSUS.

SCENES ENACTED IN LONDON STREETS.

THE "DOWN AND OUTS."

London, Yesterday. Strange scenes were enacted in the streets of London early this morning when the police, armed with census forms, made a great round-up of the homeless in order that they might be included in the nation's decennial "roll call."

The "down and outs" sleeping on the benches along the Thames Embankment and in Salvation Army shelters all filled up the forms and particulars were even taken in two London churches, which nightly give shelter to scores of destitutes.

At least one murderer awaiting execution was included in the nation's count, while a baby girl, born at Queen Charlotte's Hospital just before midnight, got into the census by fifteen seconds.—Reuter.

SIR A. SALTER.

CONCLUDES HIS MISSION TO CHINA.

"MORE THAN SATISFIED."

Shanghai, Yesterday. Sir Arthur Salter has concluded his mission to China and is sailing for England to-morrow via America.

In an interview with Reuter, he stated that he was more than satisfied with the results of his mission, which represented an important step forward in China's association with the League of Nations. Practical working contact had been established, under which the League's experts would be called upon from time to time to assist in the elucidation of China's problems.—Reuter.

[Sir Arthur Salter left India early this year on being invited to China to advise the National Government on financial reconstruction and loans questions. Sir Arthur is head of the League's politico-financial department.]

A WEEK'S DISEASES.

DEATHS FROM SMALLPOX, ENTERIC & DIPHTHERIA.

The official return of diseases and deaths during the week ended April 18, is as follows:

Cases.	Deaths.
Enteric fever	2
Small-pox	1
Diphtheria	5
Tuberculosis	45

Summary to April 25.
The returns from January 1 to April 25 give the following figures:

Cases.	Deaths.
Typhoid	62
Small-pox	13
Scarlet fever	2
Diphtheria	63
Cerebro-spinal fever	5
Puerperal fever	4
Tuberculosis	801
Thirteen of the typhoid cases were non-Chinese, as were two scarlet fever cases, one small-pox case, and 14 diphtheria cases. Yesterday one case of typhoid fever and one of cerebro-spinal fever were recorded—both Chinese.	

NEW EMDEN.

GREAT RECEPTION IN SHANGHAI.

"PASS: ALL'S WELL."

Shanghai, Yesterday. A function of the greatest significance to Shanghai's international community took place to-day, when the Zero Club, comprising British ex-Service men who volunteered for the Great War from Shanghai, entertained the officers of the German cruiser Emden, now visiting the port.

The President of the Zero Club referred to the courageous and chivalrous way in which the original Emden had done her duty, and, now that bitterness and misunderstanding had passed, he could say to the Emden "Pass friends; all's well."

Captain Wilhooff, who was an officer in the original Emden under Captain Muller, and the German Consul-General, replied, and said they regarded the gathering as a sign of the growing friendship and mutual appreciation of former adversaries.—Reuter.

WEAR HOMESPUN!

APPEAL BY EGYPTIAN PAPERS.

COTTON DIRECTORS' MOVE.

Cairo, Yesterday. The "wear homespun" movement is invading Egypt, and appears as an appeal, prominently featured in the vernacular papers, signed by the directors of the Egyptian Spinning and Weaving Company, announcing an increase of capital by £200,000, and stating that the object is to work with Egyptian cotton and obviate the necessity for importing textiles.—Reuter.

JACK DIAMOND.

ATTACK BY DESPERATE GUNMAN.

"FILLED WITH BUCKSHOT."

New York, Yesterday. Jack Diamond has been admitted to hospital suffering from a broken arm and ribs. The injuries were inflicted in the Arrapogua Inn, near Cairo, New York, early in the morning by a desperate gunman, who had succeeded in slaying Diamond's bodyguard and filled the notorious gangster with buckshot.—Reuter's American Service.

LOAN NECESSARY.

OPINION OF AUSTRALIAN TREASURER.

Adelaide, Yesterday. Concluding that a loan is the only immediate means of raising money to relieve urgent necessities, Mr. Theodore announces that the Loan Council has definitely decided to raise a £12,000,000 internal loan, half of which will be used to assist wheat growers, and the rest to alleviate unemployment in all the States.—Reuter.

BURGLARS CARRY OFF A SAFE.

A £10 Haul—and Lots of Billiard Balls.

An iron safe, containing £10 in cash, was carried away by burglars who visited the Temperance Billiards Hall, Romford Road, Stratford, E., during the night. Fifteen sets of billiard balls were also taken.

Four men are believed to have taken part in the burglary. They climbed over a wall at the back of the hall and forced a window. They then carried the safe through a side door to a dark-covered motor-van which immediately drove away.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of April 28, 1921.]
To-day's dollar is worth 2/6.

Morrison Hill is to disappear. Flowington Canal (with its stinky 18 ft. 6 in. between the Naval Yard and Jardines Sugar Works) are to be in five years ninety acres of new building sites, new streets, etc., and recreation grounds where Morrison Hill now stands. "Banks closed in June." "Be sure you get to-morrow's China Mail and learn just how Morrison Hill takes its dive into the sea." "A route you never thought of. We are giving a large map."

FIFTEEN VALUABLE YEARS!

For women, the years of middle age should be years of tranquillity and happiness. Children are grown up and husbands have by this time settled positions. Yet, how many wives are

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A HEALTHY AND TRANQUIL MIDDLE-AGE

DRAMATIST'S SUICIDE.

Sequel to the Loss of a Friend.

KILLED BY A TRAIN.

A young dramatist's grief for a friend who was killed in a motor accident led to his suicide, it was suggested at an inquest at St. Pancras.

The dramatist, Mr. John Buchanan McCree, aged 24, of the Washington Hotel, Curzon Street, W., jumped from the platform of the E.M.S. "electric" station at Euston and was killed by a train. About a week before his death his play, "The Force of Circumstance," was produced at the Grafton Theatre in Tottenham Court Road.

Mr. McCree was the son of the late Mr. Walter McCree, an Anglo-American well known in polo, racing and hunting circles on both sides of the Atlantic.

"My Life is Finished."

Mr. Richard Lowdon McCree, of the 12th Lancers, stationed at Tidworth, said the dramatist, who was his brother, had been upset by the death of one of his friends who was involved in a motor accident at Barnet.

This friend was taken to Barnet Hospital and Mr. McCree stayed at his bedside for a whole night.

"My brother said to me: 'My life is now finished. I shall have to start life again. There is so much to do, and I don't know how I shall carry on.'"

"He was under great emotion and I tried to comfort him," said Mr. Richard McCree.

As far as he knew, his brother had no money troubles or love affairs.

"Working Very Hard."

Mr. Goodman Roberts (for the relatives). He had been working very hard in connection with a play he produced?—Yes, it was his first play. He also had a great deal of



"Shall I go over it again, sir?" "No, thanks—I heard every word."

Everybody's Weekly, London.

work in connection with the death of his friend.

George Edward Hopkins, of Stonebridge Park, the driver of the train, said he saw the man standing on the edge of the platform. He dived underneath the train and it was impossible to pull up.

The coroner said there was no doubt that Mr. McCree threw himself under the train. He had written a letter to a friend which left no doubt of his being a deliberate act.

A verdict of suicide while of unsound mind was recorded.

CAR BANDITS' RAID.

POLICE SEARCH LONDON HOSPITALS.

A gang of men in a car raided a motor car showroom in Station Parade, Balham. They had just smashed a window of the showroom when a policeman arrived.

The men dashed back to the car, which started away immediately.

But one of the men missed his footing as he ran and clutched the side of the car as it drove off.

He was dragged for about 200 yards along the ground, holding on to the side of the car, before his companions could haul him in.

The car was a racing model painted dark blue with red lines.

It disappeared in the direction of Wimbledon.

Scotland Yard believed that the man must have been injured, and inquiries were made at all hospitals in the South-West of London to see if such a man applied for treatment.

A second attempted raid in South London was prevented by the timely arrival of a police constable.

Three men were seen to alight from a dark saloon car with red wings, outside a furrier's shop in High Road, Streatham.

The policeman was crossing the road to investigate when the men saw him.

They ran back to the car, which drove off in the direction of Brixton. The shop door bore fenny marks.

A SIGN OF THE TIMES.

A sign of the increasing co-operation between the Boy Scout Movement and the Churches comes from Dover. The Rev. G. J. Chadwick, Rector of St. James's Church, has set aside a part of the Church as a Scout and Guide "Corner".

A large number of Scouts and Guides attended the dedication service.

ARABS AND INDIANS VISIT LONDON.

Men From the East to Give Evidence.

SETTLERS AND TRIBESMEN.

This month London will see, in the House of Lords, as polyglot and cosmopolitan a collection of witnesses as has ever assembled for one case.

The case concerns the future of East Africa, and a Joint Committee, under the chairmanship of Lord Stanley of Alderley, is considering it.

The committee has already heard the evidence of many witnesses in Britain; during the last week of April and the first two weeks of May it will hear evidence from local witnesses.

They will include, besides seven white settlers, nine native East Africans, two Arabs, and four Indians.

The nine natives consist of three from each of the three great colonies, whose closer union is the subject of the Committee's deliberations, Kenya, Tanganyika, and Uganda.

THEFT OF WALLET.

VICTIM PASSING THROUGH FROM AMERICA.

CASE REMANDED.

Ng Chuk-nam, a licensed hawkler, was brought before Mr. E. H. Williams in the second Police Court this morning charged with the larceny of a wallet, the property of Yung Hang Fong. The wallet contained a draft on the Bank of Canton for \$2,000, a draft on the National City Bank of New York for \$7,000, a Canadian paper dollar, a U.S.A. paper dollar, two American \$10 gold pieces, and 18 subsidiary coins of various denominations.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall appeared for the defendant.

Inspector John Murphy, for the prosecution, said that the complainant was likely to sail for Honolulu in a few days. He was only passing through Hong Kong from America.

Asked for the facts, Inspector Murphy said that at 5 o'clock yesterday evening, the complainant, who had recently come from Canada and America, was walking along Connaught Road Central, and on reaching the Fire Brigade building near the Yaumati Ferry Wharf he felt a tug. He immediately turned round and caught hold of defendant who dropped the wallet to the ground. A crowd collected and later a district watchman took the culprit into custody. Inspector Murphy added that he had been unable up to the present time to procure a witness of the actual theft.

He added that the complainant had money in every one of his pockets.

His Worship fixed the hearing of the case for to-morrow afternoon.

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Mr. Hilbery said that the plaintiff, in his submission, had trifled with the order of the Court concerning particulars. Counsel explained that the firm's system involved huge buying and they did not necessarily keep track of every article. The magazines were out-of-date American journals and were bought in bulk. "I might put it this way," he said. "They buy two tons of American journalism. This enables them to send so many hundredweights to each of their shops."

Mr. Hilbery said he wanted particulars of the various shops in which plaintiff said that copies of the magazine were "sold," adding: "Then I will call people from those shops who will say that they had not the slightest idea what was inside the covers."

The application was dismissed, Lord Justice Scutt remarking: "I think this is rather an example of the sort of thing which is making litigation expensive."

BOGUS BISHOP.

Brighton Traders Hoaxed.

Brighton traders have been hoaxed by a person representing himself to be the "Bishop of the Falkland Islands."

A fashionable firm of hatters received a telephone inquiry on behalf of the "Bishop" asking whether they had a bishop's hat in stock. Such a hat would have to be made to order, but soft grey hats were sent to a certain address for "his lordship's approval."

The hats were delivered, but when the porter called at the house the next day he was told that the "bishop" had gone on the previous night.

A firm of coal merchants who were asked to send a ton of coal to the same address for the "bishop" made inquiries, and decided not to send the coal. The same decision was reached by a drapery firm who had a request for a large quantity of goods to be sent to the same address.

The real Bishop of the Falkland Islands is the Right Rev. Norman Stewart, who is a popular figure at Burgess Hill, near Brighton. He is at present in Valparaiso.

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All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 14th May, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd and 4th May, at 10 a.m. by our surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LTD. Agents. Hong Kong, 28th April, 1931.

Copies of the exclusive pictures of the TRAIN DISASTER appearing in the "Sunday Herald" of April 26, can be obtained from K. FUJYAMA, the official "Sunday Herald" photographer, 2 Wyndham St. (3rd floor).

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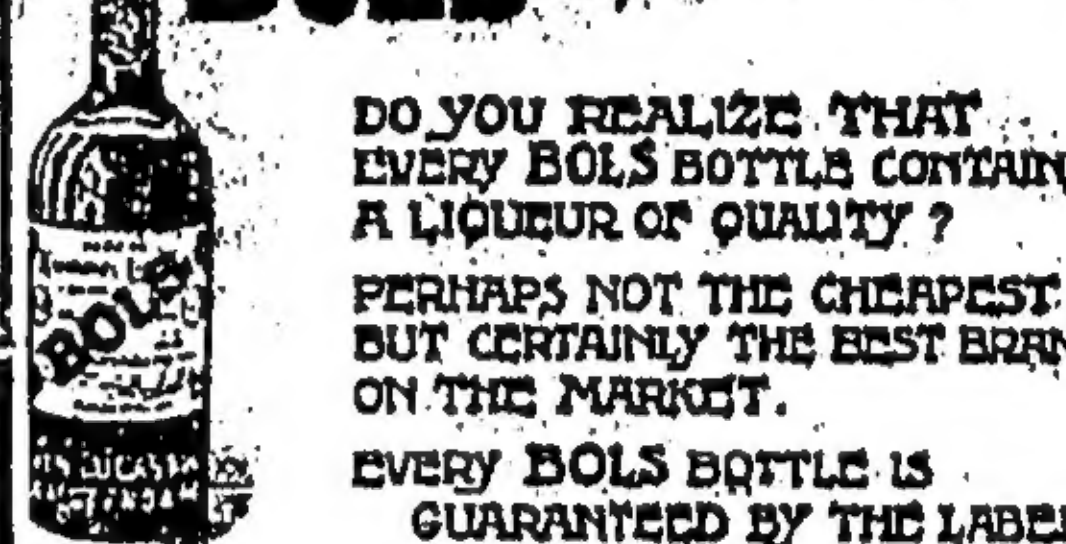
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R.A.O.B. CLUB AT BILLIARDS.

Junior N.C.O.'s Club
Defeated.

DARTS CONTEST.

The members of the R.A.O.B. Club were "at home" to the Junior N.C.O.'s Club, Lyemun, yesterday evening and again a very enjoyable evening was spent.

The usual billiards and darts matches were played with the following results:—

BILLIARDS.

R.A.O.B. Club.	
Holroyd	150
Willis	150
Turner	150
Elliott	150
Holt	150
Cullen	73
	823

Junior N.C.O.'s Club.	
Seal	88
Radford	109
Luckham	42
Luff	114
Perry	86
Wilson	21
	460

The last mentioned game of billiards was taken on time, owing to the late start.

The honour of the highest break fell to Turner, of the R.A.O.B.

Darts.

Turner and Watley (R.A.O.B.) lost to Radford and Luff. Bishop and Matthews (R.A.O.B.) beat Phillips and Luckham. Cook and Holroyd (R.A.O.B.) beat Gately and Seal. Elliott and Tindal (R.A.O.B.) beat Perry and Seal.

Reed and Holt (R.A.O.B.) lost to Luckham and Parmelia.

The Junior N.C.O.'s Club were rather unlucky to lose by a big margin of points. It seemed as if they were suffering from "stage fright" or were they shy of the "Buffaloes"?

At the conclusion of the billiards match the Chairman of the R.A.O.B. Club (Mr. F. Cullen) welcomed the members of the Junior N.C.O.'s Club, Lyemun, and hoped that at some future date they would come along again to the R.A.O.B. Club and endeavour to reverse the results of the evening.

Mr. Luff, on behalf of the visitors, thanked the R.A.O.B. members assembled for the kind invitation that had been given them and also for the enjoyable evening that had been spent in the R.A.O.B. Club.

Members of the R.A.O.B. Club will proceed to Stonecutters on Sunday next at the invitation of the N.C.O.'s Club, Stonecutters, to participate in various outdoor and indoor games.

The R.A.O.B. Club is arranging "at homes" to various Clubs and Units on Mondays, and all interested are cordially invited.

H. M. MARTINEAU'S TOURING XI.

First Two Matches on
Egyptian Soil.

MOORE AND KEMP-WELCH.

Alexandria, March 31.

A century by this year's Oxford captain D. N. Moore, and some good scores by other University players, such as W. O. B. Lindsay (76) and G. D. Kemp-Welch, the Cambridge captain of 1930, contributed to the high total made by H. M. Martineau's team in their first match in Egypt, which began to-day against the Alexandria Sporting Club. Moore's 116 included 18 fours, and C. H. Knott, had six sixes and nine fours in his 93. Martineau's eleven declared at 454 for five wickets and Alexandria scored 102 for one wicket before stumps were drawn.

Cairo, April 3.

Last year's Cambridge captain, G. D. Kemp-Welch, followed the example of his counterpart at Oxford, D. N. Moore, in scoring a century, to-day for H. M. Martineau's team, who are playing a number of matches in Egypt. Moore scored his century in the first match at Alexandria, in which Martineau's eleven beat Alexandria Sporting Club by an innings and thirty-three runs. To-day, in the second match of the tour against the United Services, Kemp-Welch hit up 103, and was ably supported by C. H. Knott, who had made 93. In the previous match and who to-day scored 69. Martineau's team were all out for 308, and they obtained four United Services wickets for 111 runs.

ARMY RUGBY CUP RECORD.

Duke of Wellington's
Regt. the Champions.

LINE NOT CROSSED.

The 1st Duke of Wellington's Regiment set up a record for the Army Rugby Cup competition at Aldershot when they defeated the Training Battalion of the Royal Engineers from Chatham in the most one-sided final since the war.

They won by a placed goal, a dropped goal, and four tries to nothing, and secured the trophy without having their line crossed in any of the five cup matches. The Dukes up to the final had scored 130 points without reply in the four qualifying games, but no one had anticipated such an easy win for them in the final. They outpaced their opponents and outplayed them at every point.

The Sappers were unlucky to find the Dukes at the top of their form. In their previous games the Dukes had been unimpressive behind the scrums, but this time their backs played an inspired game.

Corporal Townsend, who played forward in an international trial, always occupies the stand-off half position in the regimental team, and played a bigger part in his team's victory than any other individual player. His cross-kicking was often dangerous, and he found touch well, but he was less consistent with his place kicking.

Townsend dropped a good goal in the second half, and converted a try before retiring in the last ten minutes with a badly cut lip. By that time, however, it was only a question of how many points the Dukes could score.

ENGLISH LACROSSE VICTORY.

Irish Ladies Badly
Defeated.

London, March 30.

England overwhelmed Ireland in the women's international lacrosse match at Liverpool on Saturday, winning by seventeen goals to five after leading 8-1 at half-time.

FINE SPRINT BY SCHOOLBOY.

Bedford Boy Breaks
100 Yards Record.

London, March 30.

R. Holland, a Bedford schoolboy, on Saturday beat the British public schools' record at the school sports by running one hundred yards in ten seconds. The previous record was 10-2/5 secs.

"BILLY" MITCHELL.

PASSING OF OLD-TIME
BILLIARD STAR.

MANY BREAKS OVER 1,000.

Followers of billiards will regret to learn of the death of Billy Mitchell, the veteran player, who passed away shortly after noon on March 21 at the Fivale Hospital, Sheffield. In recent years Mitchell had not had the best of health, and he was prevailed upon to enter the hospital some time ago.

Born at Birchcliffe, near Chesterfield, on October 13, 1854, Mitchell had an adventurous career, and became quite a character in the billiards world. He started his career as an errand boy in 1868, and 21 years later he won what was termed the World's Championship Tournament, in which his chief opponent was W. J. Peall, who was one of Mitchell's best friends during his recent bad spell.

In these days of four-figure breaks, it is interesting to know that Mitchell made over 1,000 four-figure breaks, and he claimed the distinction of being the first player to make a thousand break, a performance he accomplished nearly 50 years ago. His break of 1,055 included 350 consecutive spot-strokes. Mitchell was recognised as a master of the spot stroke, but he was one of those professionals who helped to bar this particular shot.

Mitchell took part in a number of big money matches, and was recognised as one of the best money players in the country. He was an exceptionally fast scorer, and had he taken more pains with his spot stroke play he would have been credited with a bigger break than 1,055. Including 630 consecutive spots—which was his record.

"TEDDY" FINCHER IN THE FINAL.

LO ELIMINATED.

Can Rumjahn Stop His
Run of Successes?

FORMIDABLE OPPONENT.

(By "Base Line.")

A much improved service and a devastating cross-court drive have carried E. C. Fincher into the final of the Open Singles tennis championship this year. Yesterday in the semi-final, as in the sixth round, he won in straight sets. M. W. Lo, a past champion, was hopelessly outclassed and could not stand up against the well mixed shots of "Teddy" Fincher.

Lo Worried.

After having witnessed the complete eclipse of Honda earlier in the tournament, Lo must have experienced some doubts as to his abilities against the much improved Kowloon player, but he managed to conceal these signs during the first set. With the score at 4-all the match looked as if it would not be such an easy victory for "Teddy" as was expected. Fincher, however, found little difficulty in taking the set at 6-4. This was the beginning of the end, the inferiority complex, which Lo had been able to overcome in the first set, proved too much for him in the remaining two sets, and repeated blunders gave his opponent the match at 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.

Loser's Weakness.

It must have indeed been a disappointment to Lo's supporters to see him crack up so badly, but it can hardly be said that he was below form—he was up against a combination of strokes which left him hopelessly outpositioned and at the same time proved so discouraging to his play. He was unable to cover Fincher's beautifully judged cross-court drives, and several times, when placing himself in an endeavour to avoid the inevitable, he found that Fincher had substituted a cunningly disguised drop shot, which had him instantly at a disadvantage. When he was in a challenging position he failed at the net in a most surprising manner and his strokes, though executed in orthodox style, lacked conviction.

Weak Tendency.

Fincher made many bad mistakes during the match and a tendency to take things easily when in a good position left one wondering whether he is good enough to beat C. A. L. Rumjahn. A disconcerting streak of sunlight across one side of the court caused him some trouble and did not allow him to make full use of his newly-acquired drive, but, nevertheless, he was not by any means up to the form which he displayed when opposed to Honda. His first service, however, proved very reliable and constantly worried Lo. His base line duels were featured by an accurate length when keeping the ball low, but once he tried to gain any height in his return he invariably gave Lo a valuable point. His shortening of length was extremely good to watch, but was perhaps a little over-done, as surprise is the chief asset of this stroke.

DUTCH DAVIS CUP TROUBLES.

Team of Reserves As
Representatives.

Amsterdam, Yesterday.

Owing to Hans Timmer, the Dutch lawn tennis champion, convalescing from pleurisy and A. Diemerkoel being unavailable, the Dutch Davis Cup team will be composed of reserves—J. Vanderheide, O. Koopman, M. Wetselaar, and T. Vaneek—Reuter.

GOLF.

HIGH HANDICAP COMPETITION AT KOWLOON.

The following is the result of the High Handicap competition played over the Kowloon course on Sunday. The match was over 36 holes, medal play, the winner being W. Hyde 84, 26, = 170 less 80 = 140. A. C. Sinton 88, 82 = 177 less 82 = 145, and W. G. Trice 88, 98 = 181 less 86 = 145, tied for second place. Twenty-five cards were returned.

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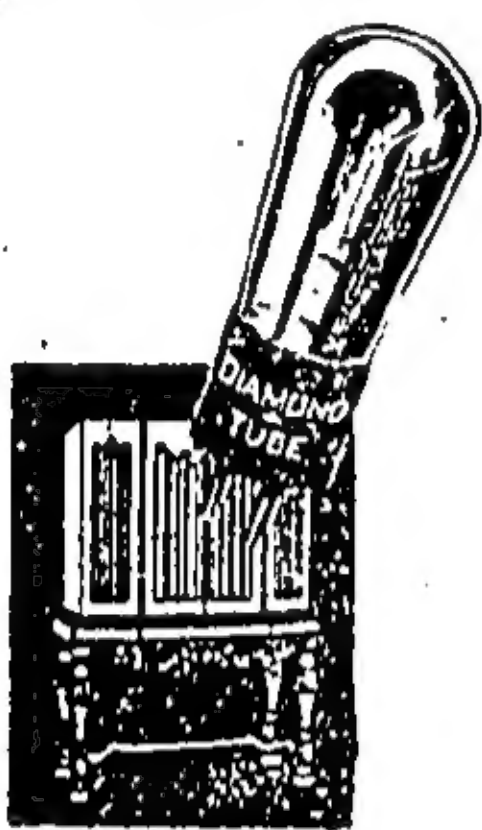
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Approaching and Putting.

NEXT MONTH.

London, April 20.
Great Britain now has a cup symbolic of sports achievement which will never journey overseas. It is the Seddon cup which will be awarded to the winner of the Approaching and Putting championship.

The first Approaching and Putting championship will be held over the Abroath course, Forfarshire, Scotland, on May 26 and the three days following. The winner of the championship, according to the rules which have been drawn up, should be an overseas competitor, will receive a replica of the cup since the original will not be allowed to leave Great Britain.

J. H. Taylor and Bernard Darwin will handle the tests in connection with the approaching tournament. Originally it was planned that competitors should all drive from the usual tees and then proceed to the special area for their approach shots, but it has now been decided that the driving shall take place only at the long holes. This will be done mainly for the benefit of the spectators.

All playing areas in connection with the championship will be marked off so that competitors will suffer no interference from spectators.—United Press.

HOME FOOTBALL.

ROTHERHAM SHARE POINTS WITH HULL.

London, Yesterday.
Playing in the Northern Section of Division III. of the English League to-day, Rotherham drew with Hull—one goal each.—Reuter.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Chesterfield	42	26	6	10	102	57	58
Lincoln	41	24	7	10	101	58	55
Tranmere	41	24	6	11	111	71	54
Wrexham	41	20	12	9	93	62	52
Southport	40	21	8	11	85	55	50
Stockport	42	20	9	13	77	61	49
Hull	41	19	10	12	96	55	48
Carlisle	41	19	6	12	86	81	45
Gateshead	41	15	13	12	68	72	43
Wigan	41	15	6	17	76	85	43
York	41	18	6	17	84	80	42
Darlington	41	16	9	16	71	59	41
Accrington	42	15	9	18	84	108	39
Rotherham	41	13	11	17	80	32	37
Doncaster	41	13	10	18	65	65	36
Barrow	41	15	6	20	67	72	35
Hullifield	41	13	9	19	64	87	35
N. Brighton	42	13	7	22	49	76	33
Crewe	41	14	5	22	65	92	33
Hartlepool	41	12	6	23	67	84	30
Rochdale	42	12	6	24	62	107	30
Nelson	41	6	7	28	43	109	19

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

SOUTH CHINA AGAINST "THE REST."

The following have been selected to represent "The Rest" against South China A.A., the champions of the First Division, on Saturday on the Club ground at 5 p.m.:—
Rodger (Club); Blackburn (Argylls); Ward (Navy); Hedley (Kowloon); McKelvie (Kowloon) (captain); Lam Yuk-ying (Athletic); B. Gosano (Recrelo); McTavish (Argylls); A. V. Gosano (Recrelo); Grimwood (Kowloon) and Janson (Kowloon).

Reserves: Martin, Strange, Hay, Yeoman, Louden and Hughes.
At the conclusion of this match the League trophies will be presented by Mrs. J. Ormiston. The winners and runners-up of the First and Second Divisions and the winners of the Third Division are requested to have a representative present to receive their trophies.

EXETER CITY GO TOURING.

Story of the Club's Earlier Days.

BEATS WIGAN!

There is a good story told about Exeter's early days. Exeter, it will be recalled, surprised the sixth round of the English Cup this year. In their second season the directors decided to give the players a treat—a long char-a-banc excursion to one of the famous beauty spots of Devon. The team had been mostly recruited from industrial Lancashire, and Devon was completely new to them.

The spot chosen was Pingle Bridge, which the West of England claims to command one of the most picturesque views in all Britain. When the char-a-banc swung round a corner of the bending road from Drowleington and the complete Pingle Bridge picture came into view, with its heather-clothed towers closing in a beautiful valley where a mass of giant foxgloves were in rich August bloom, the players sat spellbound.

No one spoke till at last the goalkeeper got up from a back seat and, waving his hands towards this masterpiece of Devon scenery, shouted at the top of his voice, "Ee, lads look at it! And then we swank about Wigan!"

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

ATHLETICS—To-morrow—Inter-School Sports at Caroline Hill.

LAWN TENNIS—To-day—H.K.C.C. Doubles Tournament. Thursday—Meeting of H.K. L.T.A. at 6.30 p.m.; Open Singles Championship Final at 4.30 p.m.

CHESS—To-day—Open Championship: Kowloon Chess Club Junior Championship. Friday—Kowloon Chess Club Junior Championship.

FOOTBALL—To-day—Division I.—Club v. Borderers at 5 p.m. To-morrow—Division I.—South China v. Navy at 5 p.m. on Club ground; Division II.—University v. Argyls on Kowloon ground at 5.15 p.m.

HOCKEY—To-day—Y.M.C.A. II. v. K.L.H.C. at King's Park. Saturday—H.K.L.H.C. (Champion) v. The Rest of the League. Club ground at 5 p.m.

RACING—Saturday—Fourth Extra Race Meeting.

LAWN BOWLS—Saturday—Opening of League Season. May 9—Entries close for Open Singles Championship.

HOME.

LAWN TENNIS—To-day—British Hard Court Championships at Bournemouth (Second day).

RACING—To-morrow—Two Thousand Guineas.

CRICKET—Saturday—Opening of English Cricket Season.

RUGBY—Saturday—Rugby League Cup Final.

HOME RUGBY RESULTS.

Blackheath Trounced by Leicester.

Gloucester—Harlequins 13-10.
Leicester—Blackheath 25-5.
Neath—Newport 15-8.
Exeter—Devonport Services 10-5.
Cardiff—Aberavon 8-3.
Plymouth—Bristol 12-3.
Northampton—Alleylans 31-8.
Coventry—Swansea 13-3.
Bath—Llanelli 3-7.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank, wire	117½
Bank, on demand	117½
Bank, 4 months' sight	115/16
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/— 9/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/— 11/16
On demand	615
Credits, 4 months' sight	655
On Berlin—	
On demand	Nom.
On New York—	
On demand	24 1/16
Credits, 60 days' sight	25 3/16
On Bombay—	
Wire	65½
On demand	66½
On Calcutta—	
Wire	66½
On demand	66½
On Shanghai—	
On demand	42½
On demand	48½
On Shanghai—	
On demand	Tls. 77½
Dollar	4½% dis.
On Yankong—	
On demand	48½
Sovereigns	1/— ½
buying rate)	13½
Silver (per oz.)	13½
Rar Silver in Hong Kong	Nominal
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	3% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	3½% p.a.
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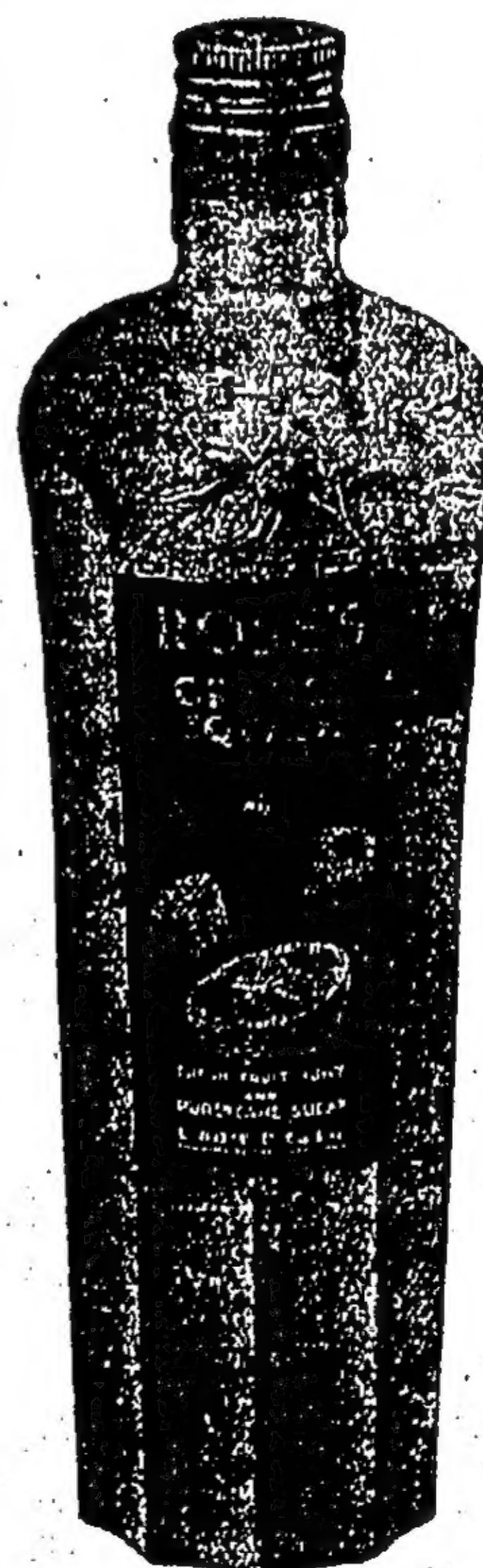
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STOCK	Buy-ers	Sell-ers	Sales	Norm.	Fin. Year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	2020	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 31
Chartered Bank .....	...	...	141	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 31
Mercantile Bk., A.B. / C. ....	...	...	231	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Apr. 31
Bank of Asia	120	...	121	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Feb. 28, 31
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	1400	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] May 16, 30
Union Ins.	680	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] May 30, 30
*China Underwriters	480	...	480	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] May 30, 30
China Fire Ins.	520	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] May 30, 30
H. K. Fire Ins. ....	...	...	1800	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 26, 31
Shipping.						
Douglas	221	...	...	100	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
H. K. Steamboats	271	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 4, 30
Indo-China (Pref.) .....	...	...	40	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] June 10, 27
Shell Transports	557½	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Jan. 6, 31
Union Waterboats .....	...	...	35½	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 21, 31
Mining.						
Benguet .....	...	...	91	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 31, 31
Kailan Mining Ad. v. ....	...	...	2078	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Dec. 30, 30
Langkat .....	...	...	81	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 8, 30
S'hai Exploration .....	...	...	2	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Feb. 6, 31
*Rauco .....	...	...	392	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 26, 31
Venezuela Gold Fields	91	...	31	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & K. Wharves	165	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 19, 31
H. K. & W. Docks	262	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
South Ch. Motors .....	...	...	10	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
*China Provident (old)	270	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] April 8, 31
Hongkew	300	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Pending
N. Engineering .....	...	...	640	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 4, 31
Shanghai Docks .....	...	...	108½	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] July 30, 30
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
*H. & S. Hotel (C.R.)	161	...	161½	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Apr. 10, 31
H.K. Lands	90	...	90½	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Feb. 10, 31
Shanghai Lands	39	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 19, 31
Humphreys (old) .....	...	...	161	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Feb. 24, 31
H. K. Realities	1160	...	1160	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Apr. 15, 31
Chinese Estates	20	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] July 21, 30
Cotton Mills.						
*Ewo Cotton	14	...	14½	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 12, 31
Shanghai Cotton	105	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Nov. 20, 30
Zoong Sings	112	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Oct. 11, 30
Public Utilities.						
*H. K. Tramways	1840	...	1860	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Feb. 27, 31
Star Ferries	184	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Feb. 16, 30
*China Light	27	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Feb. 16, 30
H. K. Electric	791	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 16, 31
Macao .....	...	...	23	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
Sandakan Lights .....	...	...	12	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 11, 31
H.K. Tel. fully paid	181	...	181½	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Feb. 26, 30
China Buses .....	...	...	1820	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Feb. 6, 31
S'p'rt'raction (Ord.) .....	...	...	1820	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Feb. 6, 31
Industrial.						
China Sugars .....	...	...	30	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 4, 31
Malayan Sugars .....	...	...	30	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 21, 31
Cold Mfg. Ord. .....	...	...	10½	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
Canton Ice	340	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
*Cement (norm.)	181	...	1860	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 16, 31
H. K. Ropes	1840	...	181	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 27, 31
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farms	27	...	201/27	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 16, 31
Waxons	1430	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Mar. 16, 31
Der A Wings .....	...	...	1	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
Lanz Crawfords	330	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] May 12, 30
MacIntosh	141	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] June 10, 30
Wm. Powell .....	...	...	4	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
Miscellaneous.						
H.K. Amusement (old)	301	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Sept. 27, 30
Ch. Entertainment	1060	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] Apr. 22, 31
H. K. Construction .....	...	...	...	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
B. Ind. G. Bonds	891½	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
H. K. Govt. Loans	100	Dec.	[Final 27 bonus 4: 1929 ex. 1/11-8/14] ...
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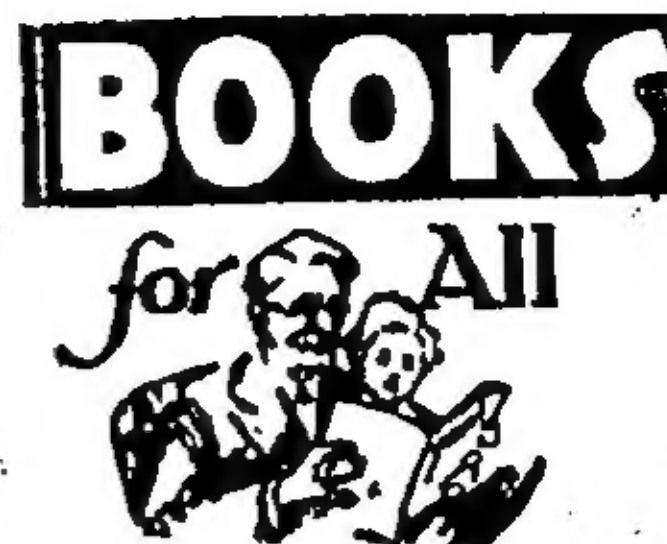
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"BILLY THE KID."

Although fifty years have passed, Billy the Kid, born in New York, 21 years old when he died, is still remembered where "cow-people" get together, as the most dangerous man the west ever knew. "Billy the Kid" lived again last night at the Queen's Theatre in the person of John Mack Brown, leading character of a new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer talkie by that deftly human director, King Vidor. There may be incidental criticisms of historical details by some to whom the study of the west is a fetish, but these should not bother Vidor or Brown. They should be satisfied with the thought that their creation is a vital thing, a living page torn from the days before law came into the prairie country.

Vidor, Wanda Tuchock, the scenarist, Laurence Stallings, and Charles MacArthur, who wrote the dialogue, have preserved splendidly the historically melodramatic situations of the three days stage of the McSwain home; Billy's capture and his daring escape from jail. Their only deviation of any major degree has been the introduction of a romance in the person of the charming Kay Johnson.

In all stories about Billy, Paulita Maxwell is generally credited with being his chief feminine interest. On the screen, however, Claire comes from Britain to marry Tunstun, played by Wyndham Standing. When Tunstun's death starts the "Lincoln County War," Claire is carried right along with the dramatic sweep of the tale. She is not a pictorialization of the much-discussed Paulita, but a new character entirely.

Vidor's casting of well known historic characters is splendidly done. Those who devoured the tales of "Billy the Kid" since their childhood days will find interest in the intensely human portrayal of Wallace Beery as Sheriff Garrett; Karl Dane as Svenson, the comic cowboy.

"THE BENSON MURDER CASE"

Detective stories and mystery stories are two different things, according to William Powell, Paramount screen star, whose three portrayals of Philo Vance in S. S. Van Dine's detective thrillers have made him an authority on the subject of crime for amusement. He is appearing in his third Philo

Vance picture, "The Benson Murder Case" at the Central Theatre for the last time to-day.

The series of "murder cases" from the pen of S. S. Van Dine, "The Canary Murder Case," "The Greene Murder Case" and "The Benson Murder Case," are strictly detective stories, says Powell. He points out that the author makes no attempt to trick his audience. Trick lies entirely in the province of the mystery thriller, says Powell.

"THE LIGHT OF WESTERN STARS"

Screen fans themselves select the girl-friends and boy-friends for their favourite stars. Screen fans, therefore, have brought Richard Arlen and Mary Brian together again in "The Light of Western Stars," from Zane Grey's popular story to be shown at the Central Theatre to-morrow.

Arlen and Miss Brian made such a hit in "The Man I Love," their first all-talking picture together, that, when Paramount undertook to make "The Virginian," they were both cast in supporting roles to Gary Cooper. Then, for Arlen's first starring picture, "Burning Up," Miss Brian was again brought forward as leading lady.

The popularity of romantic couples in pictures is carefully gauged by fan comment in mail received at the studio and in fan magazines and every effort is bent to meet public taste in casting screen lovers. Miss Brian is a popular leading lady, the fans enjoying her performances with several of their favourite male stars. In "The Virginian," she was leading lady for Gary Cooper, and again supported that star in "Only the Brave." She also found favour opposite Charles (Buddy) Rogers in "Someone to Love" and "River of Romance."

"The Light of Western Stars" is Arlen's second Western picture for Paramount. Again, the youthful star will be seen in an outdoor role, such as played in "The Virginian." The picture is another of the outdoor all-talking action melodramas which Paramount brought to perfection with its great all-talking epic of the West. It is the first Zane Grey Western to be filmed with dialogue.

"THOSE THREE FRENCH GIRLS"

Reginald Denny and Pia Dorsay head a dazzling cast in "Those Three French Girls," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's captivating farce of life in Gay Paree, which will open on Thursday at the Queen's Theatre for three days.

The plot of this talkie farce, concocted by Dale Van Every and Arthur Freed, is reported to contain a laugh in every reel and a howl in every line of its dialogue, which was written by P. G. Wodehouse, internationally known humorist.

The action centres about the fun loving nephew of a British earl, played by Denny, who goes to Paris for a good time and finds it in the company of two American ex-doughboys and three charming mademoiselles. Complications occur when the nephew brings the girls to his uncle's home in the attempt to interest his rich relative in backing a modiste's shop. All would have gone well had not the uncle fallen in love with the very girl whom the nephew had picked out for himself. But all the difficulties are ironed out in the end in a rollicking manner.

Cliff Edwards and Edward Brophy are reported to be nothing less than "a scream" as the two doughboys who want to see what Paris is like without M.P.'s; George Grossmith and Peter Gawthorne are said to be equally funny as the befuddled earl and his cockney butler, respectively, while the remaining members of the girl trio, Yola d'Avril and Sandra Ravel, add their drolleries to the lot.

Decision to form a central council of two representatives from each Prairie Province to assist in handling and marketing cattle, was made by the directors of the Western Stock-Growers' Association and representatives of the British Columbia Beef-Growers' and the Saskatchewan Stock-Growers' Association at a recent meeting in Calgary. Several lines of activity, including the compiling of accurate statistics regarding potential marketings and exploration of existing and new avenues of outlet were suggested as work of the newly-formed council.

More than 7,000 entries in the slogan contest have been received by the management of the World's Grain Exhibition and Conference. It is expected that the winners will be announced shortly. A first prize of \$500 in cash is being awarded to the author of the best 10-word slogan. Entries were received from all parts of the world. The World's Grain Exhibition and Conference will be held at Regina, July 25 to August 6, 1932. Over \$200,000 is being offered in cash prizes to winners in the different classes.

VAST CUPBOARDS.

A TOUR OF THE PORT OF LONDON.

HUGE MEAT STORES.

Touring, under the guidance of an officer of the Port of London Authority, through the port which has made London a great city, I had come from that tremendous raft, the new passenger landing stage at Tilbury, up fifteen miles of river as far as the biggest area of enclosed dock water in the world—King George V. and Royal Albert and Royal Victoria Docks. I was now to learn something of the warehousing accommodation of the greatest port in the world.

There are vast storages at the Royal Victoria Dock. One hundred and sixty million, eight hundred thousand pounds of tobacco can be accommodated in the warehouses there, and one six-storeyed building on the north side of the dock, with its cranes, lifts, and presses for baling tobacco, cost £230,000 when built in 1922.

On the southern side the two largest flour mills in London await discharge direct into the mills.

The huge cold stores for meat in the port can accommodate 3,600,000 carcasses at one time, and the largest cold store at the Royal Victoria and Albert Docks, which deal with most of London's meat, holds 250,000 carcasses.

Two tugs were manoeuvring a P. and O. cargo ship into dock as we came down. They handled her skilfully against the cross-wind and shepherded her in. An old black tanker came slowly up the King George V. dock.

Where Fruits Are Landed. East India docks, the next system up-river, are very much smaller. The ships that use them bring chiefly fruit from American Pacific coast ports and a variety of South African produce. But the West India and Millwall docks, linked together by wide, deep channels in 1929 to form one dock system, are bigger than Tilbury docks.

A ship was being towed alongside a towering structure of stone and steel at Millwall Docks. "That is the Central Granary," said my guide. "Those pipes reaching out will suck the grain out of the ship's hold to the top of the granary, where it falls on to a band conveyor, which carries it to the storage rooms. They can hold 24,000 tons enough to feed London for a week."

Hardwood Trade Centre. The West India Dock is the chief centre of the London hardwood

trade, and there I saw huge baulks of timber piled yards high on either side of a rail track in a shed running the full length of a dockside.

The Rum Quay, with its lines and lines of barrels, was an amazing sight. "Nearly all the rum that comes to the country is landed here," my guide said, "and the stocks held in the vaults is worth about £7,500,000."

A great deal of sugar is stored at this dock in a long range of warehouses, and quantities go direct to riverside refineries from the ships in barges. Nine hundred thousand tons of sugar are unloaded in the port every year.

We crossed the river from Millwall Dock entrance and came to the entrance of Surrey Commercial Docks. The system of docks and basins here is very slightly bigger than the one we had just seen. "A quarter of the timber that comes to this country—over 2,000,000 tons a year—is landed in the port," I was told, "and these docks take most of the soft wood, such as pine, fir and spruce from Canada and America, and from the Baltic and the White Sea States."

"The docks and pounds here are all used for timber storage, except Greenland Dock, which has 2,000,000 cubic feet of cold-storage accommodation for cheese and bacon and other perishable things."

Elephants' Tusks.

Variety was the most impressive feature of London and St. Katharine Docks. Here I saw a floor covered with elephants' tusks—there were even tusks of prehistoric mammoths from Siberia—a lead weight floating in a basin of mercury, bales of cinnamon, cocco-nuts, skins, indiarubber, jodine, marble, glass.

But the two famous storages for wool and wine beggar description. A funny little oil lamp with a long handle was given me and we went down stone stairs into the vaults. Flickering naked gas jets at intervals only served to intensify the gloom of this strange labyrinth. Our little lights showed cavernous openings on every hand. Barrels lined the tunnels. There was a smell of fungus flavoured with wine.

Nightmare Growth. "Look!" My guide held up his lamp and I saw a nightmare growth of fungi close overhead. "They are caused by the fumes of the wine," he told me. "Champhoons au vin," I suggested, "a new culinary delicacy. There might be money in it for the P.L.A." But he did not think my suggestion would be adopted.

A little trolley rail ran down the centre of the tunnels. "There are twenty-eight miles of rails down

here," said my guide. "These vaults can hold 4,000,000 gallons of wines and spirits."

The wool warehouses are very different. Mounting to the top floor of one of these great buildings in a lift, I saw bales and bales piled up, with passages between them. Under glass roofs prospective buyers can examine the wool in these "show floors," which have room to exhibit 60,000 bales, while in the storages below a million bales can be accommodated.

Attar of Roses. "Now that you have begun to realise the size of London's docks," said my guide, "perhaps you can guess how much attar of roses comes to the scent warehouses at St. Katharine's Dock every year, and what it is stored in."

"About two million nine hundred thousand tons," I began, "in gallon casks."

"Not quite," he cut in. "It is stored in two-ounce bottles, each costing from twenty to eighty-five shillings, and less than a hundred-weight a year is imported. A mere drop is enough for dozens of scent bottles."

And somehow that brought home to me the diversity, the complexity and the immensity of London's docks, that are the heart of London's greatness, as no millions could ever have done.—Mortimer Durand in the Evening News.

FATHER TOOTH DEAD.

A London Vicar Who Went To Prison For Beliefs.

Father Arthur Tooth, who was Vicar of St. James's, Hitcham, Deptford, until he was sent to prison for ritualistic practices half a century ago, has died at his home, Otford Court, Kent, at the age of 91.

Father Tooth's early career was stormy. He was one of a group of Churchmen who fought and went to jail rather than submit to the anti-Ritualists.

When he was at St. James's there were wild scenes every Sunday. He had to say Mass amid booing, hooting, and hissing.

The culmination was his imprisonment in 1877, under the Public Worship Regulation Act, passed three years before.

After six weeks he was released from Hoxtonmonger Lane jail and went straight back to his church. Its doors were bolted, so Father Tooth "broke in" and said Mass in the usual way.

But the congregation was broken up and a "Protestant" trust bought the advowson, instituting their own parson.

Father Tooth has made very few public appearances since then.

Four years ago a great gathering of clergymen celebrated at Church House, the 50th anniversary of his release from prison.

For many years he had lived in his beautiful Kent retreat, running a school for young orphan boys.

MME. JEAN JAURES.

Death of Wife of Man Shot By Maniac.

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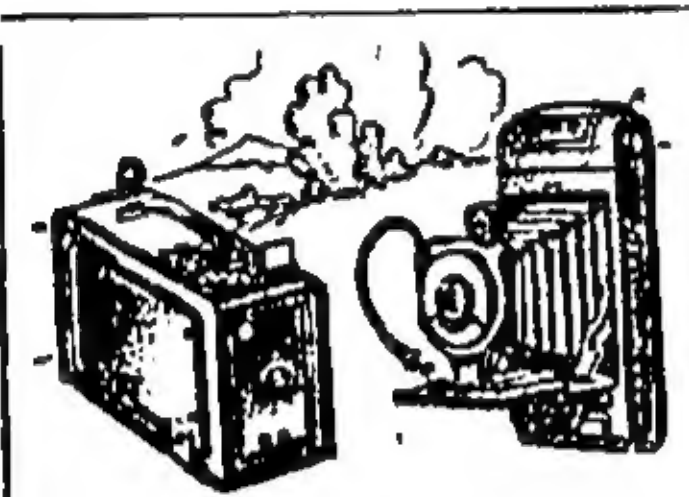
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AN EXPERIMENT BY AN AMATEUR.

Land Line Relay from "Keppel House."

Singapore, April 11.
Some time ago it was suggested that Mr. Earle, who has achieved such great success with his station VSIA, should try broadcasting concerts of a more varied nature than the usual gramophone record selections. A few days ago the experiment was tried and local reports have proved it an unqualified success. It was on Wednesday before last that VSIA, on 41.7 metres broadcast a concert programme, vocal items being given by Mrs. R. L. Nunn and by Paymaster Lt. Commander Rae. Commencing with the usual gramophone records electrically produced, the station switched over at 9.45 to the trial programme relayed over some miles of telephone line from Keppel House, the residence of the Chairman, Singapore Harbour Board.

Vocal items included the following: Handel's Largo and My Dear Soul (Wilfred Sanderson), sung by Mrs. R. L. Nunn with Mr. Nunn at the piano, and Drink to me only with thine eyes and Water Bay (A. Robinson) sung by Paymaster Lt. Commander Rae with Mrs. Rae at piano. After a few more records played on the electric gramophone, Mrs. Nunn and Paymaster Lt. Commander Rae gave further items from their repertoire, the concert winding up at 10.30 p.m.

The experiment has proved a very popular one and listeners have expressed the wish that further concerts be organised. Another wireless concert will be broadcast on Sunday (to-morrow) commencing at 9.45 p.m. with Mrs. R. L. Nunn, Pay, Lt. Commander Rae, Messrs. Gordon Osborne, R. L. Eber, T. Barker and R. Waddle obliging. This will again be at Keppel House, relayed by telephone and broadcast from VSIA on 47.7 or 42 metres.

Findheven Dance Programme.
Thursday night's popular dance programme from PCJ (Eindhoven) Holland, was very enjoyable. Once more we were given those two favourites, "I love you all" and "I want to do things for you." Mr. Startz, the announcer, gave details of future broadcasts by "The International Shortwave Station" and said that night's broadcast, on 31.8 metres, was being done on aerial B which is directed east and west. PCJ's schedule, subject to slight alterations, was announced as follows: Wednesdays from 17 to 20 o'clock, Thursdays from 14 to 18 o'clock and from 22 to two (at

night). On Friday from 18 to 20 and from 2 to 6 and sometimes 7 on Friday-Saturday. The times stated are, of course, G.M.T. reckoning. One of the best records put on during Thursday's concert was Minstrel Show of 1929. As usual, reports were requested. The transmission was good and there was no interference. Slight fading was noticeable later.

The writer of these notes has recently shifted his aerial from town to Siglap. The change is one for the better. Gone are the annoying oscillators that used to spoil every attempt to listen-in in town. The aerial rigged up here is only some twenty feet in over-all length and only about twenty feet off the ground but it works quite well. Conditions have been fairly satisfactory during the week but storms have interfered with late-at-night listening.

The Java stations have been on regularly with their usual good musical programmes. PLE on 15.93 metres was well received. The brief broadcasts of gramophone records from PLM have been picked up almost every day.

Saigon Concert.
Saigon has been as good as ever. Easter Monday's concert included Chopin's famous Ballade. Alix Andre Soyer made a great success with the playing of the piece. Wednesday's chamber music was well worth listening to and on Thursday the violin solo by Robert Barras was very successfully tuned in. To-morrow night's programme from Saigon includes a flute solo by Jenn Chelny.

Listeners are wondering what has become of Radio Saigon's saxophone expert. His contributions used to be keenly awaited but he has not been heard for some time. Many listeners commented on the excellent manner in which the saxophone lends itself to broadcasts. The General Electric Company are soon to receive models of the new Geophone all-wave receivers which have been produced to fill the demand for a radio receiver giving world-wide reception of stations on the broadcast band (200-600 metres). A very important feature of this set is that it has been built to a stringent specification to meet tropical conditions. The set is enclosed in a cabinet of solid brass, dull nickel-plated on the inside and crystalline enamelled on the outside. There are two main tuning controls with the latest type vernier indicating dials and one auxiliary control which is a trimming condenser.

The coils are wound with enamel covered wire on formers of special material and the wire used for internal wiring is covered with a special compound for tropical use. The super-heterodyne circuit has been adopted as fulfilling the requirements of effective H.F. amplification and great sensitivity. Six valves are employed in the following order: Radio frequency amplifier (screened grid) oscillator, first detector and first intermediate amplifier, second intermediate amplifier stage, second detector stage and output stage. The grids of the radio frequency and first detector valves are tuned by ganged condensers to form the first tuning control. A small variable trimming condenser in parallel with the condenser in the first grid circuit is the auxiliary control. The aerial coil and the anode coil are thus interchangeable. The oscillator is of the tuned anode type and is coupled to the grid circuit of the first detector by means of a plug-in coil with three windings. The second control is the condenser tuning the oscillator. All anode circuits are decoupled with H.F. chokes and by-pass condensers while the screened grids are decoupled with resistances and by-pass condensers. An H.T. voltage of approximately 120 volts is required. The total anode current consumption using the standard combination of 2-volt valves is 20.24 milliamperes. The L.T. consumption is .85 amperes.—Singapore Free Press.

KONIGSBERGEN CONTINUES.

The Konigsbergen transmitter was to cease operating as soon as the large Hellsberg transmitter would be ready for use. During the experiments conducted with this new transmitter, it was found that the Hellsberg transmissions were excellently received in a large part of Germany, whilst on the other hand the reception in Konigsberg was less favourable. For the time being the old Konigsberg transmitter will therefore pass on the Hellsberg programme on a wave-length of 217 metres.

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RADIO TOPICS

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.V. on a wavelength of 353 metres.

6-8 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by the Anderson Music Co. 6-6.40 p.m.—Variety.

Orchestra—Nights of Gladness. The London Novelty Orchestra (MR291).

Humorous Song—In Great-Grandma's Days, Florence Oldham (DB410).

Entertainment—The Tale of Hootcha Kootcha, I Had to Go and Draw Another Pound Out, Norman Long (DB412).

Chorus—Is Yee Mammie Always With Ye? Kit Keen & Male Quartette (DB418).

Song—He's Been a Long Time Gorn, Kit Keen, Baritone (DB418).

Organ Solo—My Sunshine Came on a Rainy Day, Terence Casey (DB428).

Humorous Song—There Beant no Files on We, Gooseberry Tart, Billie Richardson and West Country Humourist (MR294).

Vocal Duets—Makin' Wicky-Wacky Down in Waikiki, Bathing in the Sunshine, Layton & Johnstone (DB429).

6.40-7 p.m.—Ocelets. Perpetuum Mobile (Weber arr. Crooke), Valse Caprice (Rubenstein arr. Crooke), J. H. Squire Celeste Octet (9287).

Chant Sans Parole (Tchaikowski arr. Sear), J. H. Squire Celeste Octet (9608).

An Irish Love Song (Squire), An Old Church Legend (Trincoen), J. H. Squire Celeste Octet (DB42).

7.02-7.27 p.m.—Band Selections. The Nightingale & the Frog (Ellenberg), The Parade of the Tin Soldiers (Jessel).

The Band of H.M. Royal Air Force (MR290).

Hyde Park Suite—Sunday Morning Church Parade, Rotten Row, On the Serpentine, Around the Bandstand (Jalowiez), The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards (DX221).

Regimental March Medley, The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards (9586).

7.27-8 p.m.—A Concert.

Duet—a. To My First Love (Hamilton & Lohr), b. You'd Better Ask Me (Lover & Lohr), The Little Irish Girl.

(Teschemacher & Lohr), Dora Labbette and Hubert Elsdell (DB431).

Piano Solo—Wiegand (Schubert & Godowsky), Jose Echpiz (D2358).

Song—Song of the Highway (May), Raymond Newell, Baritone (DB430).

Violin Solo—Roumanian Folk Dances (Dartok-Szekely), Joseph Szigeti (2293).

Duet—In an Old-Fashioned Town (Harris & Squire), Joan Foster & Peter Macready (MR292).

Piano Solo—Paraphrase on Rigoletto Quartet (Verdi-Liszt), Irene Scharrer (2395).

8 p.m.—Local Time, Weather Report, etc. 8.05-11.30 p.m.—Ko Shing Theatre Relay.

11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

WAR ON RADIO.

ASSOCIATION WANTS SOME CONTROL CREATED.

New York, April 28.
The American Newspaper Publishers Association to-day adopted resolutions calling for action designed to meet the competition of the radio as a news-disseminating and advertising medium.

One resolution suggested that radio programmes, "if published, should be handled as paid advertising."

Another dealt with the investigation of "the legality of the radio broadcasting of direct advertising."

A third recommended an amendment of the federal radio laws to prohibit the broadcasting of lottery advertising.

The first resolution also provided that, inasmuch as the newspapers pay for the creation of all press association reports, a committee be appointed to confer "with the press associations on the question of broadcasting news reports, with the object of confining the broadcasting news reports to the press associations and the newspapers, and to bring about the proper regulation of such news broadcasting by the press associations and the newspapers."—Associated Press.

TRACKED BY WIRELESS.

Importance Of New Methods Of Crime Detection.

The "extraordinary value" of wireless-equipped police cars in the

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Amazing New High-Speed Transmitter.

High-speed facsimile transmitting machines which are expected to completely revolutionise the long distance transmission of documents and news were demonstrated at the International Telephone and Telegraph Laboratories at Hendon recently.

The new machine is capable of transmitting 120 printed pages containing 180,000 words in one hour.

It is claimed that the new apparatus, unlike previous inventions, can utilise wireless telegraph and wireless telephone channels because it automatically eliminates static noises and atmospheric echoes.

The laboratory model of the new invention was shown to British and American journalists. In one hour it transmitted 60 pages of type which were reproduced on a continuous strip of ordinary photographic paper which was almost simultaneously developed.

Mr. G. H. Nash, the executive vice-president of the International Telephone and Telegraph Company for Europe, explained that the new transmitter at Hendon differs from other machines because it is unnecessary to halt the process of transmission between pages.

Also, the apparatus merely transmits messages in black and white, such as line drawings. It does not attempt to reproduce half-tones.

With their attention completely absorbed in the new invention the British and American journalists watched it function for well over an hour. It is expected that before very long the process will be utilised on a commercial scale.

detection of crime was referred to by Mr. Hay Halkett, the Marylebone magistrate, when two men were charged with the theft of a hamper of clothing from the Bedford Palace, Music Hall, Camden Town.

The men were seen by the stage manager to enter a car, the number of which was at once telephoned to Scotland Yard, from which it was wireless to the police patrols. The message was picked up by Detective-Inspector Gooch and Sergeants Greeno and Smith in a police tender at Somers Town.

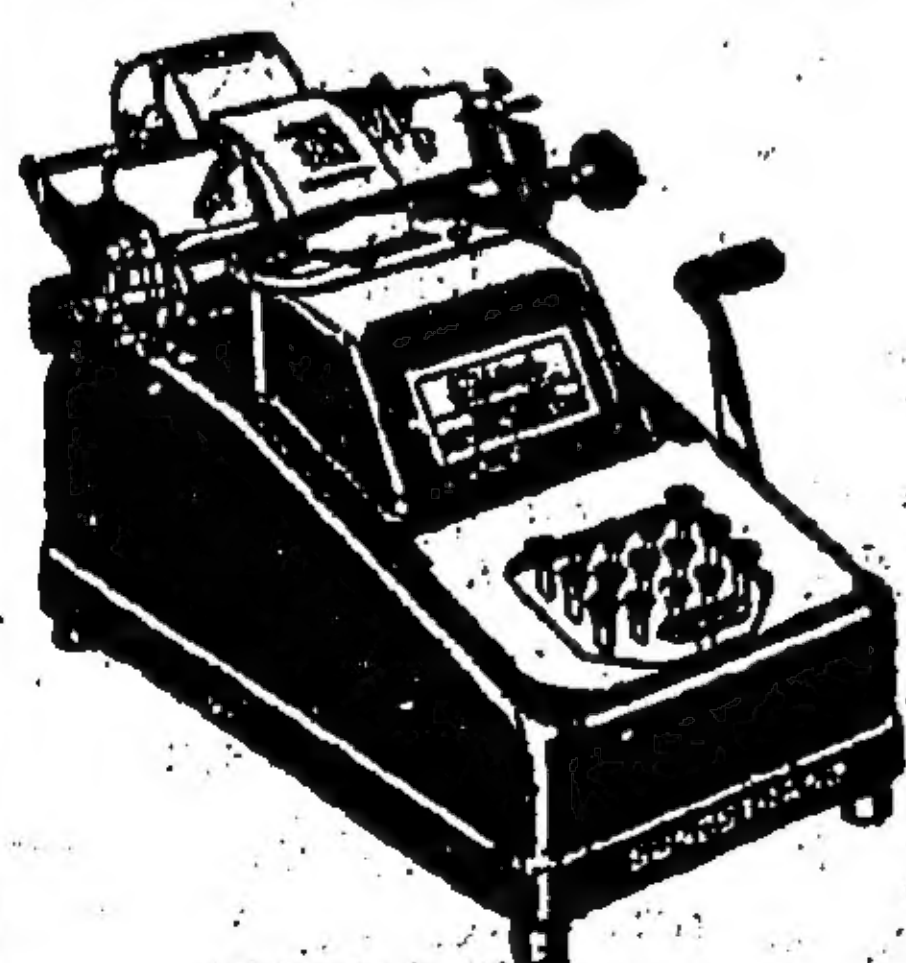
"By a mere chance," said the Inspector, "we were actually following the prisoners when we received the wireless message."

The magistrate marked the charge sheet: "A very clever capture by police car, thanks to Detective-Inspector Gooch and the wireless outfit in the car."

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London, Yesterday.
An agreement has been signed between the Soviet Government and the Metropolitan Vickers Electrical Company whereby the latter will provide expert technical assistance for a plant to be built in Russia by the All-Union Electro Technical Combine.

The plant will extend to the largest capacity required for the generation and distribution of electricity to be employed in connection with the Soviet's Five Year Plan of industrial development.—Reuter.

EX-DICTATOR OF SPAIN ARRESTED.

Major Franco's Brother
to Defend Him.

WARRANT FOR HEREDIA.

Madrid, Yesterday.
The ex-Dictator of Spain, General Berenguer, has been arrested.

A warrant has also been issued for the arrest of General Fernandez Heredia, who was Captain General at Aragon under the old regime. It is stated that General Franco, brother of the airman, will defend General Berenguer.—Reuter.

RETURN OF COURT.

POSTPONED OWING TO THE
KING'S HEALTH.

RESULT OF BAD WEATHER.

London, Yesterday.
Their Majesties have cancelled their proposed visit to Aldershot on May 14, and the Court's return to London has now been postponed from May 4, the recent bad weather having kept the King indoors.

The Court will not return until His Majesty has been able to enjoy some sunshine at Windsor. Earlier News.

London, Yesterday.
H.M. the King dined with other members of the Royal Family yesterday evening for the first time since Good Friday.

His Majesty has now completely recovered, and the Court returns to London on May 4.—Reuter.

"BOY" FINED.

CHARGED WITH TRESPASS AT
SHAMSHUPO.

Li Kwan, stated to be an ex-"boy" of the Shamshupo Barracks, appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning charged with trespassing on military premises, and with wilfully damaging two panes of glass to the extent of \$1.50.

Pte. Robert McBurney said that he arrested the defendant at 3.30 p.m. yesterday. The man was hanging around bungalow B5 and was acting in a suspicious manner. Witness stated that he also saw the defendant in the same place on Friday last, trying to remove a bolt fitting from the window. On that occasion defendant broke away and escaped.

When questioned, the defendant said that the panes of glass were cracked while he was playing with another man, who had also run away. A screwdriver, alleged to

TRAFFIC CASES.

EUROPEAN FINED FOR
"SPEEDING."

LORRY DRIVER CHARGED.

A number of traffic summonses, three of which were for speeding, were dealt with by Mr. W. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. R. L. Marshall was charged with having driven a motor cycle in Queen's Road East on April 11 at a speed which was dangerous to the public.

Traffic-Sergeant Guild said that defendant drove between Gresson Street to Spring Garden Lane at a speed of 35 miles per hour.

Mr. Marshall: In the circumstances I am guilty. When the Sergeant stopped me I was quite surprised. I did not realise that I was speeding at the time. A fine of \$25 was imposed.

Failed To Report.

Phiang Prasop, a Siamese driver, was summoned for having failed to report an accident to the Police within reasonable time.

Traffic-Inspector Alexander said that defendant drove Dr. W. T. Woo along Arsenal Street on April 10, and knocked down a Chinese child. They took him to hospital for treatment, but failed to notify the Police.

A week later Dr. Woo saw him (Inspector Alexander) about the matter, but it was too late.

The child was not seriously hurt, and it was his father who reported the accident to No. 2 Police Station that evening.

Prasop explained in Chinese that his master prevented him from making a report, as the accident was not a serious one. It was his intention to report the mishap to the Police.

Remarking that it was not a serious case, his Worship imposed a fine of \$5.

Learner Fined.

Peter Chan was summoned for having committed a breach of his learner's licence by driving in a road which was not specified in the regulations, namely Lockhart Road. He admitted the offence and was fined \$5. The owner of the vehicle, Li Cheuk-chi, was also fined \$5 for having allowed defendant to drive there.

Inspector Nicoll, who prosecuted, said: "I was testing a lorry that day, and as soon as he saw me defendant stopped dead, and that is what made me go up and ask him if he had a licence or not."

A summons for speeding along Tung Lo-wan Road was admitted by the Chinese driver of a Hong Kong Tramway Company's motor bus.

Sergeant Guild said that defendant drove at a speed of 30 m.p.h. between Ah King's slipway and the Whitfield Market. A European lady passenger told him (the Sergeant) that defendant had driven fast all the way from town. As defendant's record was good, the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$20.

Dangerous Speed.

In another case, a fine of \$25 was imposed on the Chinese driver of a lorry, who pleaded guilty to having driven the vehicle to the common danger.

Inspector Nicoll explained that he was sitting in a lorry which was proceeding down Pokfulam Road towards West Point. At the same time a private motor car was being driven in the opposite direction, and, at the bend, defendant's lorry cut across them at a speed of 30 miles per hour.

have been in the possession of the accused, was produced in Court by the witness.

Fines of \$50 on the first count and \$25 on the second were imposed, with the option of one month and three weeks' imprisonment, the terms to run concurrently.

REBELS ROUTED BY LOYAL TROOPS.

"Brilliant Action" by
Force from Portugal.

PUT TO FLIGHT.

Lisbon, Yesterday.
Fighting on land, sea and air in Madeira to-day resulted in the Government forces routing the rebels, of whom 17 were captured. The troops dismantled the insurgents' wireless station.

An official communique states that the Portuguese expeditionary force landed 10 miles from Funchal and put a party of 70 rebels to flight. While the guns of Portuguese warships supported this "brilliant action," Portuguese aircraft silenced the rebels' artillery.—Reuter.

SEQUEL TO LOSSES ON STOCK MARKET.

Noted Revue Manager
Commits Suicide.

RUINED BY SPECULATION.

New York, Yesterday.

One of the best known managers of musical artists in the United States, Mr. Loudon Charlton, committed suicide with a revolver to-day. His friends believe that his losses on the stock market were responsible for his action.—Reuter's American Service.

BUSINESS SLACK.

LOCAL TEMPLE RESORTS TO
TOUTING.

EMPLOYEES FINED.

Two employees of the Tin Hua Temple appeared before Mr. E. H. Williams this morning charged with having distributed advertisements without a permit from the S.C.A. They pleaded guilty.

Det-Sergeant Flaherty said that, as business was slack, the Temple had resorted to distributing advertisements. The two defendants went from house to house doing this, and yesterday they called on a man living on the first floor of 43 Tung Street. His suspicion was aroused because one of the men stood at the bottom of the stairs whilst the other handed the paper. Police whistles were blown and the men were arrested. Sergeant Flaherty added that many people had been deceived from time to time by these papers.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$25 on each.

FREE PASSAGE.

JAIL FOR SIX CHINESE
STOWAWAYS.

Six Chinese stowaways were produced at the Kowloon Police Court this morning, after attempting to obtain a free passage on the s.s. Cremer, from Singapore.

Five out of the six pleaded not guilty, saying that they had lost their tickets. The sixth man, who was found in a lifeboat, admitted his offence, and was sent to jail for six weeks, the others receiving two months' hard labour.

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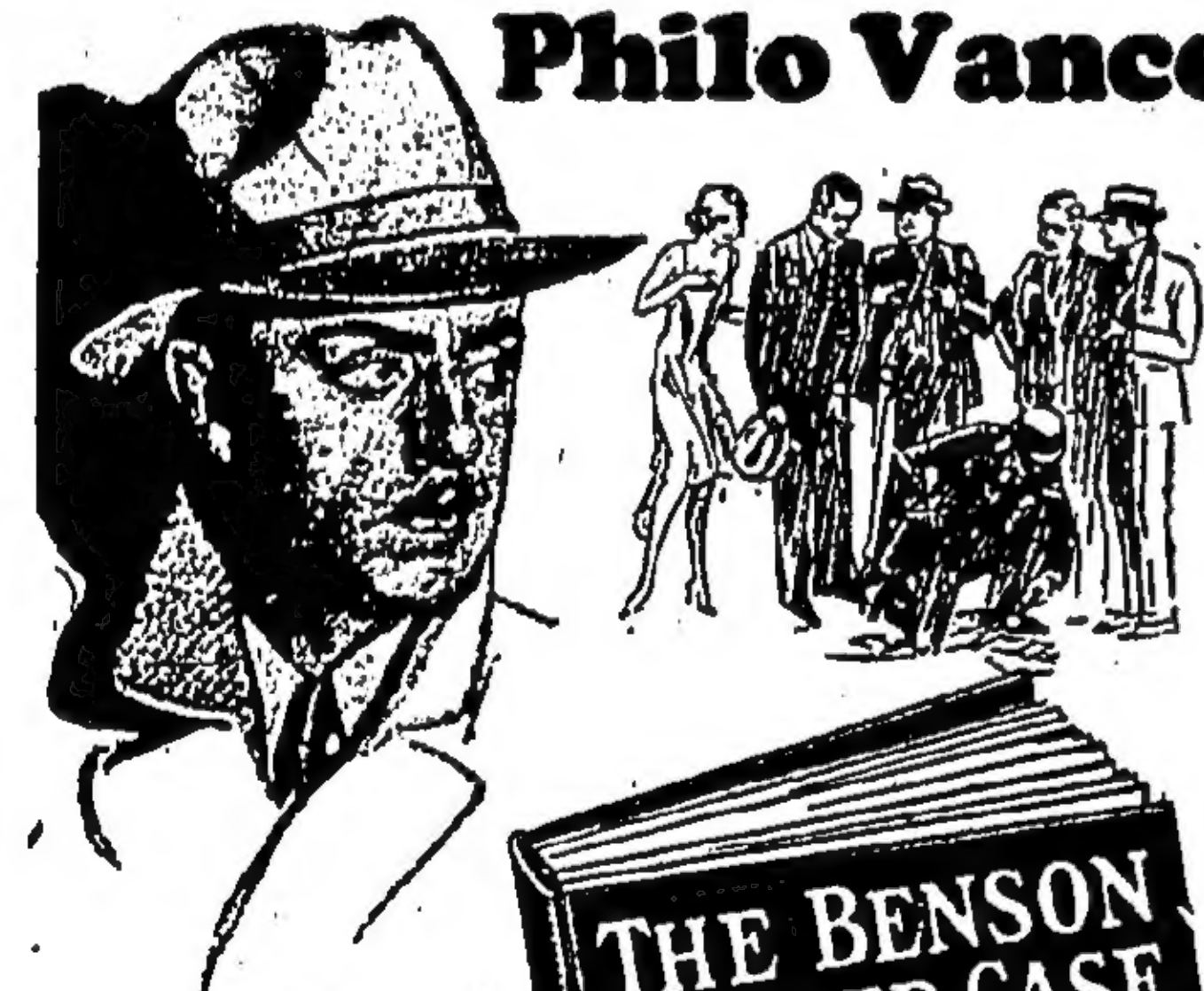
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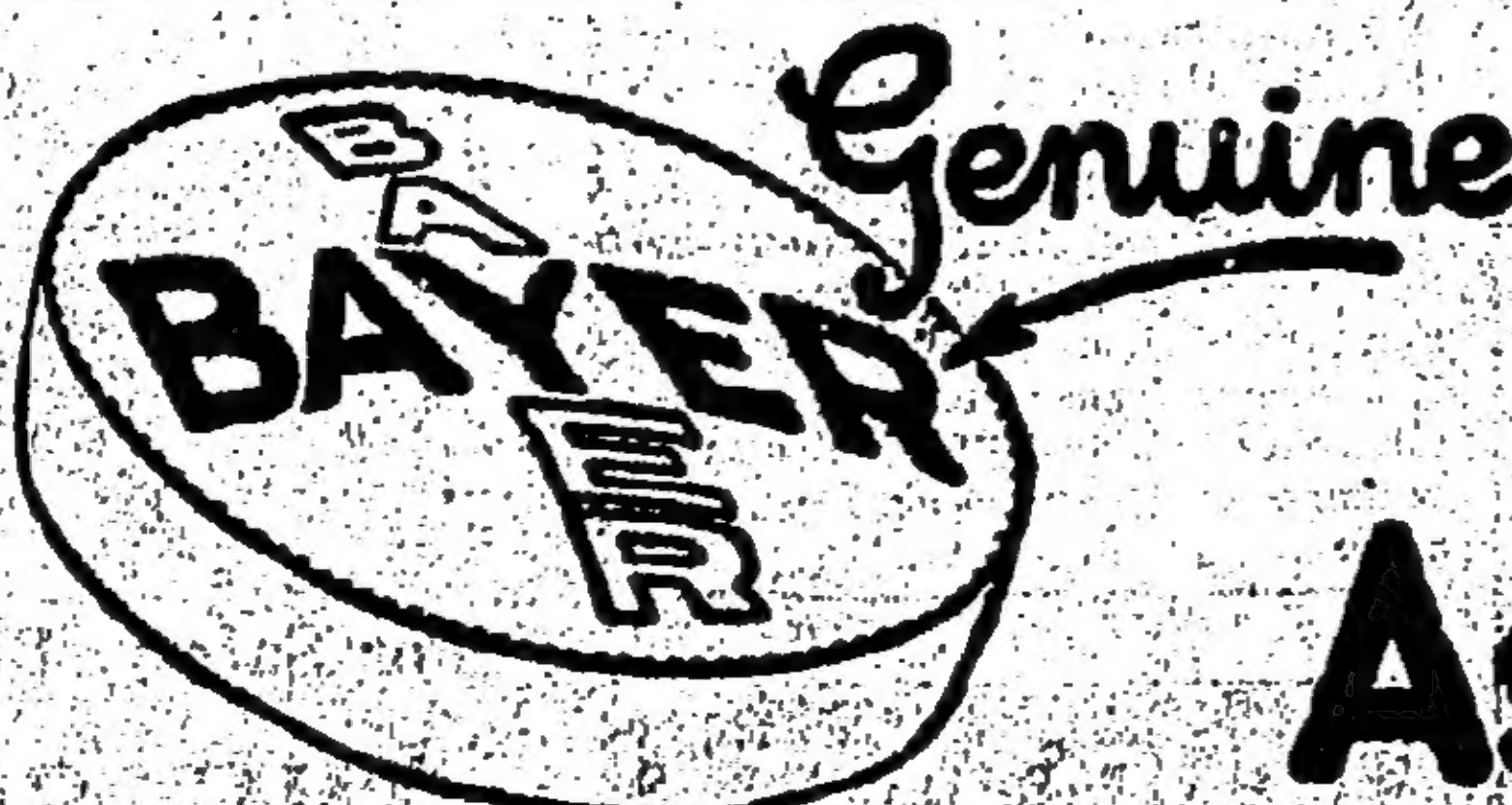
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